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NAZIS TALK OF SANCTITY OF TREATIES!

Belgrade 'Coup' Can't Undo Axis Pact!

"ITS TERMS NEED NO RATIFICATION AS THEY CAME INTO FORCE ON DAY OF SIGNATURE"

BERLIN SEEKS PRETEXT FOR PROTEST

BERLIN, March 28.

The Reich Government had not made any representations in Belgrade, said a Wilhelmstrasse spokesman to day in view of the fact that it was not customary for a Government to throw overboard treaties made by its predecessors.

IN FORCE WHEN IT WAS SIGNED

The Wilhelmstrasse spokesman stated that one of the clauses of the Tri-Partite Pact provided that it came into force on the day of signature. It, therefore, did not require ratification in order to come into force.

The spokesman added that a protest would be lodged against anti-German excesses of which he declared "positive news has come to hand."

Judgment Difficult

Extreme reserve was maintained in the Wilhelmstrasse towards conflicting reports from Jugoslavia and problems created by the Belgrade situation. German circles only declare that in view of the bad state of communications it is difficult to judge the situation in Jugoslavia. "Judgment is made even more difficult by the conflicting nature of such reports as are arriving. Berlin political circles also remain from expressing any definite opinion.

They emphasise, however, that declarations issued by the Belgrade Government do not contain anything on its attitude towards the Tri-Partite Pact.

These circles nevertheless state that they have noted Mr. Churchill's remarks.

MATSUOKA SEES DR. FUNK

BERLIN, March 28.

The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, to-day visited the Reichsbank President, Dr. Funk, with whom he discussed the strengthening of German-Japanese economic relations, says the Official German News Agency.

They also discussed the "principles for the organisation of financial and commercial traffic between European and East Asian spheres after the victorious conclusion of the war".—Reuter.

BRISBANE, March 28.

The United States warships which have been in Australian waters since March 20, left Brisbane to-day on the conclusion of their visit.

Their destination was not disclosed.—Reuter.

Miss Kapila Khandwalla, Lady Superintendent of Vanita Vishram, who has been elected member of the Bombay Senate from the Registered Graduates' Constituency.

STUPEFACTION IN BERLIN

Matsuoka Programme Upset By Belgrade: Ribbentrop Mum Over Rebuff

ZURICH, March 28.

"Stupefaction is the only word to describe the reactions of the Berlin public to yesterday's 'coup d'etat' in Jugoslavia", writes the Berlin correspondent of the "Gazette de Lausanne."

The correspondent also asserts that the programme of Mr. Matsuoka's visit to Berlin has been upset and a number of arrangements apparently had to be cancelled.

Herr Von Ribbentrop made no mention of the diplomatic rebuff he has sustained in Belgrade, when he spoke last night at the reception given at a Berlin hotel in honour of Mr. Matsuoka.—Reuter.

Yugoslavian Navy Can Cause Much Trouble To Italians

LONDON, March 28.

(From Reuter's Naval Correspondent): Although the Jugoslav navy is small, it is tough and if Jugoslavia decided to fight against the Axis it would give the remains of the Italian navy a great deal of trouble.

The personnel of the Jugoslav navy is 6,300 officers and men with 1,120 on reserve. A number of officers, notably those in the submarine branch, have been trained with the British navy. The fleet consists of four good destroyers with the fifth nearing completion; four submarines two of them being modified versions of the British "1" type; Eight Torpedo boats and several motor torpedo boats; six mine-layers, six mine-sweepers, other small craft and one old light cruiser.

The Jugoslav coast has three good bases—Split, Kotor and Sibenik. The last named is particularly difficult to approach and only the Jugoslavs know the secrets of the channels between the small islands which screen the entrance to the harbour.—Reuter.

Anti-Jew Laws In Rumania

BUCHAREST, March 28.

All real estate belonging to Jews in Rumanian towns is taken over by the State under a decree issued by the Prime Minister, General Antonescu. Jews are forbidden to acquire real estate in the towns in future. Owners of confiscated property will be compensated. Property confiscated will be acquired on long term credits by persons rendering valuable service to the State.

Exceptions will be only in the cases of Jews naturalised before 15th August, 1916, Jews wounded, decorated or mentioned in dispatches for bravery in the Rumanian wars, descendants of those who fell in these wars, Jews converted to Christianity for at least thirty years and Jews who deserve special consideration.—Reuter.

Mr. Anthony Eden (right), Gen. Sir John Dill and Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell at a conference with Service Chiefs at G. H. Q. at Cairo.

Red Shirt Campaign In Frontier Villages

NO ARRESTS MADE

Judgment Reserved In Mian Iftikar-ud-Din Case

PESHAWAR, March 28.

About 29 Red Shirts, selected and trained by Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan for a second batch of Satyagrahis in the Frontier Province, offered Satyagraha for the first time yesterday in villages in various districts. According to reports available here, no arrests have been effected so far.

Red Shirts' Satyagraha continued for the second day to-day The Satyagrahis are marching in the villages.

In The Punjab:

LAHORE: The 'amicus curiae' application filed by the Lahore High Court Bar Association against the conviction and sentence of one year's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 6,000 imposed on Mian Ittikharuddin, M.L.A., President of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee, in connection with the Satyagraha campaign, was heard this afternoon by Mr. Justice Skemp.

His Lordship after hearing arguments of Mr. Sleem, Advocate-General and Malik Jiwanlal Kapur, counsel for the Bar Association, reserved judgment.—A.P.

In The U. P.

LUCKNOW: Mr. Ghamandi Lala, a research scholar of the Lucknow University and a former President of the University Union, was arrested under the Defence of India Rules.

ALLAHABAD: Mr. Ramakant Malaviya, M.L.C., son of Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya, was released from jail to-day on his giving an undertaking that he would not participate in any political activity for the remaining period of his sentence.

It is learnt that Mr. Malaviya has given the undertaking because his father's health is not good now.

In C. P. & Berar:

JUBBULPORE: The following are Satyagraha arrests and convictions in the District:—

AT KATNI: Teckchand Jain was sentenced to pay fine of Rs. 250 Sukhdeo Prasad Kachhawara, another Katni Satyagrahi was also arrested.

AT RAIPUR: Harisingh was fined Rs. 100 and awarded one year's imprisonment, while Mahant Vaishnavadas who offered Satyagraha was arrested. Seth Mathujibhai was fined Rs. 60.

AT BILASPUR: Doctor Ramacharanrai, Vice-Chairman of the District Council and President of the Tripuri Congress Session Medical Sub-Committee, was arrested before he could offer Satyagraha and sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100.

TO-MORROW (SUNDAY)

At Nappoo Hall, Matunga,

Between 3 and 7 p.m. (S.T.)

Spinning Demonstration

All Spinners invited to participate

In Bengal

CALCUTTA: Bimal Kumar Gnosh, Office Secretary of the Krishak Samity at Barisal and Gouranga Kundu, a first year student of the local College were sentenced by the Sub-Divisional officer of Barisal to nine and six months' rigorous imprisonment respectively on charges of attempting to stick objectionable leaflets on street posts and for possessing such leaflets.

Mr. Ramgati Sinha, President of the Asansol Sub-Divisional Congress Committee has been sentenced by the Sub-Divisional Officer at Asansol to six months' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 150 in default further imprisonment for four months, for offering Satyagraha at Kulti.

In Tamil Nad

MADRAS: Mr. P. Radhakrishnan, a student of the Law College and Secretary of the Madras Students' Organisation was arrested to-day under the Defence of India Rules for being in possession of objectionable literature.—A. P.

In Bihar

Mr. Ramsevak Thakur of Shakra in Muzaffarpur (Bihar) has been sentenced to two months' simple imprisonment for shouting anti-war slogans.

ON MARCH TO DELHI

Hiralal Lohia, Sheohari Sangal, Jagat Narayan Shukla, Ramnath Sinha and Premchand Misra of Bara Bazar Congress Committee (Calcutta), who are on a Satyagraha march, have reached Jharia (Bihar) 'en route' to Delhi.

Yugoslav Premier Receives British Minister

KING GEORGE GREETS YOUNG RULER

Belgrade Cut Off From Bulgaria: King Peter Takes The Oath

VICHY, March 28.

Sir Ronald Campbell, the British Minister in Belgrade, was received by Gen. Simovitch, the new Jugoslav Prime Minister, and M. Nintchitch, the Foreign Minister, after the formation of the new Government yesterday, says a Belgrade despatch to the Vichy News Agency.

KING TAKES THE OATH

BELGRADE, March 28.

King Peter took the oath this morning in the Royal Palace amid impressive scenes. The Serbian Patriarch, the Prime Minister, General Simovitch and members of the Government, high civil and military officials were present. Afterwards a solemn service was celebrated in the cathedral.

The King entered and left the cathedral amid a tornado of cheering and demonstration by a huge crowd which has never been surpassed in Belgrade. It seemed as though the whole of Belgrade turned out to cheer the new King who smiled and raised his hand in acknowledgement of the tumultuous greetings.

Thanksgiving services were also held in other churches, notably the Catholic cathedral in Belgrade in the presence of Croat and Slovene Ministers.

His Majesty the King George VI of England has sent a telegram of good wishes to King Peter of Jugoslavia.

Cut Off From Bulgaria

Communications between Bulgaria and Jugoslavia have been cut according to a Sofia message to the Official German News Agency. The message says that since the Belgrade 'coup' there has been neither railway traffic nor telephone nor telegraphic communications between the two countries.

Regency's Resignation

The text of the resignation of Prince Paul and his co-Regents is published to-day. Addressed to King Peter, it reads:

"Realising how well founded are the reasons which have prompted you to take over Royal powers at this difficult moment for our people, the Regents hereby place their powers at your disposal."

The document was signed by all the three.—Reuter.

EX-PREMIER STILL UNDER ARREST

Minister In Moscow Called To Belgrade

VICHY, March 28.

The Jugoslav Minister in Moscow, M. Gavrilovitch, left Moscow last night for Jugoslavia in order to assume the office of Minister without Portfolio in the New Cabinet.

A Belgrade dispatch to the Vichy News Agency says that M. Gavrilovitch left at the urgent request of General Simovitch and is travelling via Hungary.

The former Jugoslav Prime Minister, M. Tsvitovitch is still under arrest, according to latest reports from Belgrade received here.

No confirmation has been received in the Hungarian Capital of earlier radio reports of M. Tsvitovitch's release.

Telephonic and telegraphic communications between Hungary and Jugoslavia were re-established this morning, says a Belgrade dispatch.—Reuter.

Srimati Sunandamma Iyengar, Mysore, has been returned unopposed to the Mysore State Representative Assembly from the Women's constituency on the Congress ticket. She is a staunch Congress worker and the member of the All Mysore Congress Committee.

Sapru Going To New Delhi

Won't See Viceroy—Unless Specially Invited

ALLAHABAD, March 28.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru is leaving for Meerut to-day, wherefrom he will proceed to New Delhi. It is stated that he is going there on personal business.

It is, however, understood that he will utilise his stay in New Delhi to meet his friends in connection with the proposals for ending the political deadlock in the country in the light of the Political Leaders' Conference held in Bombay.

It is not likely that Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru will interview H. E. the Viceroy, unless invited.

A memorandum containing suggestions to bring about a solution of the deadlock has been drafted by Sir Tej Bahadur and sent to Kunwar Sir Jagdish Prasad, who is expected to forward the same to the Viceroy. It is also possible that the latter may meet His Excellency in this connection.—United Press.

GERMAN LADY SENTENCED FOR SATYAGRAHA

BEZWADA, March 27.

Mrs. Sholinger Lakshmana Rao, a German Lady of Swedish origin, who was for several years with Mahatma Gandhi at his Ashram offered Satyagraha to-day opposite to the Kaleswararao Market.

She was immediately arrested by the police and produced before Mr. Dunlop Sub-Collector who found her guilty under Defence of India Rules and sentenced her to a fine of Rs. 100 in default to undergo three months' simple imprisonment. She was placed in "A" class.—A. P.

The new Head of the I.L.O. Mr. Edward J. Phelan, who succeeded Mr. John G. Winant on the latter's appointment as American Ambassador to Great Britain.

TROOP TRAIN HITS MINE

Several Hundred Japanese Soldiers Reported Killed

SHANGHAI, March 28.

When a Japanese troop train hit a large mine in the vicinity of Chieshien in Shansi province, several hundred troops, including a number of high officers, were killed, says a Chinese Press report.—Reuter.

UNOPPOSED LANDING BY JAPANESE TROOPS

TOKYO, March 28.

Japanese troops made unopposed landing to-day (Friday) on the South China coast at Kitchioh Bay in Kwantung. This is about hundred miles north-east of Hongkong. An official announcement says that the troops landed under naval protection without encountering resistance from the Chinese and advanced rapidly towards undisclosed objective.—Reuter.

FUTURE OF CHINESE DOLLAR

SHANGHAI, March 28.

Steps are being taken to peg the Chinese national dollar to the Japanese military yen near its present level, announced Lt.-Gen. Ouchi of the Japanese Army Headquarters at Nanking. The present rate is 42 military yen for hundred Chinese dollars.—Reuter.

"MOST CHEERING NEWS"

WASHINGTON, March 27.

The Belgrade Coup d'Etat is the sole topic here where it is described as the most cheering news since the British and Greeks defeats of the Italians. It is thought here that this first major diplomatic defeat for Hitler will be of enormous importance elsewhere than in the Balkans.—Reuter.

"HARIJAN" TO RE-APPEAR ON APRIL 6

WARDHA, March 28.

Mr. Mahadev Desai, Gandhiji's Secretary, has made the following announcement:—

The "Harijan" (English) and its counter-parts, the "Harijan Sevak" (Hindi) and the "Harijan Bandhu" (Gujarathi) will be started from April 6 and 5. They will be issued from Ahmedabad, and all communications regarding subscription and remittances may be addressed to Mr. Jiwanji Desai, "Navjiwan" Office, Post Box 105, Ahmedabad. The official year begins as from April, and all unexpired subscriptions will be carried forward to the new year and instructions will be given as soon as those subscriptions expire.

The price of a single copy is 5 pice, and the annual subscription is Rs. 4 inland and Rs. 5|8|0 foreign.—United Press.

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42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted a Head-Clerk with long experience of Cotton Mill routine and sound knowledge of Book-Keeping and Accounts. Apply Box No. 14365, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted for a large Cotton Mill highly competent Weaving Master with long experience of fine counts and Jacquard weaving. Should possess knowledge of cloth testing and analysing. Good salary to a really first class man. Apply with testimonials to Box No. 14366, "Bombay Chronicle."

Applications are invited for the post of Principal & Professor of English, from Ladies with M.A. or P.A. Degree with administrative and teaching experience on a salary of Rs. 125/- per month. The selected candidate shall have to join service at Poona for the present. Apply before 15th April 1941 to Registrar, Indian Women's University, 1 Carnegy Road, Fort, Bombay. (4655)

Wanted a Salesman for printing Inks, Paints and Colours, Stationery Articles and Playing Cards etc., to work in Bombay Presidency and Neighbouring states. Apply stating previous experience and minimum remuneration acceptable to the Sales Manager, Crescent Ink Co., Mcleod Road, Lahore. (4643)

Required for an up-country Cotton Mill under British Management one Assistant Weaving Master. Age between 28 and 45. Must be an expert sizer, good knowledge of weaving and dobby work. Trained in Europe. Pay Rs. 750/- per month with free furnished quarters, lights, fans and free Medical advice. Bonus equal to two months pay usually given annually if work satisfactory. Apply with copies of Testimonials to Box No. 4622, "Bombay Chronicle."

42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted skilled Artist for Metal Stamping Press. Apply in person to the National Radio & Engineering Co. Ltd. 6 Mahaluxmi Bridge Arcade, Bombay. (4674)

Wanted Lady teachers for a full fledged Girls' High School to be opened at Andheri from June, next. Apply stating qualifications etc. to Mathuradas Vissanji, 9, Wallace Street, Fort, Bombay. (14385)

Wanted Headmaster Muslim for School in Zanzibar atleast B.A., B.T. considerable teaching experience starting salary 200 250 annual increment 15 four years' agreement, second class passage. Reply Post Box 568, Bombay. (14386)

Wanted Territorial Representatives by a very old and well-established Life Insurance Company. Apply for an interview with the Managing Director stating experience, ideas and cost. Box No. 4625, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a Civil Engineer Prepared to join immediately. Preference to Non-Brahmins. Age 30—40. Apply stating Qualifications, terms etc., to Box No. 14364, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted candidates for station-master, and signaller's course scholarship Rs. 30|- and Railway fare terms. Free quarter. Apply with 2 annas stamps The Director, All-India Railway Routine Training Institute, Delhi. (14143)

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68. FLATS TO LET

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Khandala, centrally situated fully furnished bungalow with outhouses, drawing, dining, four bed, rich crockery, electric lights excellent view. Bennett Auctioneers, 120, Apollo Street, Bombay. (14371)

270. PALMISTS

Are you worried. Consult "Sha-kuntala" to solve your problems. Complete reading Rs. 3|-. From 10-30 to 3 P.M. Daily. 3rd floor Porebunder Castle 3rd Pasta Lane Colaba. (14383)

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For sale—One Marshalls Class "KC" Horizontal Coupled Compound Non-condensing Slidevalve type Steam Engine 13" x 22 1|2" x 24" Stroke Rope Flywheel 10' dia., revolution 100 rpm. Purchased in 1934 and worked only about a year is available for inspection. Apply Box No. 14387, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Double Crown Printing Machine (new) with 30" cutting, 21 1|2" perforating, standing (screw) press, book rounding machines for sale. Offer. Box No. 14395 "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted: Agents to secure whole-sale & Retail orders for silk sarees Chadders, Shirtings Suitings, Morocines etc. on handsome pay and commission. Bharat Knitting Works, Ludhiana. (14397)

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G F. EVANS,
Chief Traffic Manager.
(4614)

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With free rations, clothing and accommodation.

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For terms and conditions apply to the nearest of the following:-

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Assistant Technical Recruiting Officer, Jubbulpore. (4653)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

TECHNICAL TRAINING SCHEME

A REGISTER of persons suitable for appointment as instructors in fitting, turning, machining electrical work and tin and copper smithy at technical training centres is now being prepared by National Service Labour Tribunals. It is probable that considerable numbers of such instructors will be required in the near future. The qualifications required for registration, and the pay of the posts (when created) will be as follows:—

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(a) Pay Rs. 75—200 per month according to qualifications and experience.

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(3) have served an apprenticeship in the trade and have had subsequent practical experience;

(4) be able to read and work accurately to drawings; and

(5) be not less than 25 years of age.

Experience in teaching will be an additional qualification.

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(a) Pay Rs. 40—100 according to qualifications and experience.

(b) Candidates must have served an apprenticeship in the trade and have had 5 years subsequent practical experience. They must also be able—

(1) to read and write;

(2) to read and work to drawings; and

(3) to use measuring instruments.

A knowledge of English will be an additional qualification.

III. All candidates will be required to undergo a practical test before appointment.

2. Qualified persons who wish to be considered for these posts, as and when created are requested to apply to the undersigned for a registration form.

CHAIRMAN,
Bombay National Service Labour Tribunal,
Vithal Building,
Mint Road, Bombay.
(4646)

THE AHMEDABAD ADVANCE MILLS, LIMITED

NOTICE

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 8th April, 1941 to WEDNESDAY, 23rd April, 1941, both days inclusive.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
TATA SONS, LIMITED,
Managing Agents,
S. D. SAKLATVALA,
Director.
Bombay, 28th March, 1941.
(4672)

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LOST OR MISLAID.

Share Certificates in respect of 17 1|2 Shares, Nos. 575266|575280, 217218|217219, and a Fractional Certificate No. 8366 in The Central Bank of India, Ltd., in the name of Sorabji Cursetji Karanjia, have been lost or mislaid. Any claim in respect of these Shares should be notified within one month from date to the registered Office of The Bank, viz., Central Bank Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay. Otherwise Duplicate Share Certificates will be issued to the above-named owner. Bombay, 29th March, 1941.
(14393)

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P. N. CHANDAVARKAR,
Collector of Customs.
New Custom House,
Bombay, 27th March 1941.
(4667)

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

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Candidates must be physically fit generally and have the following sight standard:—

(a) Distant vision as tested with Landolt's split rings must not be less than 6|9 in either eye with or without glasses;

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Full particulars and form of application obtainable from the Chief Mechanical Engineer, G.I.P. Railway Parel, Bombay, on payment of Re. 1|- by money order. (Stamps or Postal Orders will not be accepted). Full name and address of applicant should be entered in block capital letters on money order coupons. Last date for receipt of money order is 17-4-1941. Candidates called for interview should attend entirely at their own expense. A call to attend interview will not imply offer of definite employment. Candidates from the Depressed classes who attain the qualifying standard may be shown some preference.
(4623)

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By Order of the Board.
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Agents.
Home Street, Fort,
Bombay, 26th March, 1941.
(4668)

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Hydraulic Engineer's Department.

TENDERS accompanied with a deposit of Rs. 2,500|- for the supply of about 470 Water meters of various sizes are invited and will be received upto 1 P.M. (Bombay Time) on the 16th day of April 1941.

Tenders should be enclosed in a sealed envelope superscribed "Tenders for the supply of Water Meters" and addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay.

Forms of tenders, specifications. etc. will be issued on payment of Rs. 2|- to any one deputed to receive them by the Undersigned who will on application give any further informtion that may be required.

E. A. NADIRSHAH,
Hydraulic Engineer.
Hydraulic Engineer's Office,
Improvement Trust Building,
Napier Road, Fort,
Bombay, 27th March, 1941.
(4669)

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from male candidates to fill not less than four posts of Assistant Commissioner of Commercial Taxes (pay Rs. 250-750) and not less than thirty posts of Commercial Tax Officer (pay Rs. 125-400). Qualifications must have passed the Intermediate examination for Chartered or Incorporated Accountants or have graduated as B.Com. or must have had seven years satisfactory experience of commercial accounts work either as an audit clerk with a firm of registered accountants or in the accounts branch of any other commercial firm. Full details may be obtained from the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal Anderson House, Alipore, personally or ON SENDING AN ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH A NINE PIES STAMP. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form, together with treasury receipt for Rs. 5, 9th April, 1941.
(4664)

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY

NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED and will be received by the undersigned in his Office near Charni Road Station, Queen's Road, Bombay, upto 12 Noon (S.T.) on FRIDAY, the 18th April, 1941, for the supply of Scales and Weights of the following description:—

(i) Postal Scale, Brass Beam, Capacity 4 ozs. Class "C" with brass pans (weight pan round and goods pan flat) and chains and brass jointed Pillar and Teak-wood box to store weights.

(ii) Postal Scale of Wrought iron, Beam, Capacity 25 lbs. Class "C", with separate hooks and iron chains and pans (weight pan round and goods pan flat).

WEIGHTS:—Brass weights ¼ tola, 1 tola, 2 tolas, 4 tolas and 8 tolas.

Cast Iron weights ½, ½, 1, 2, 5 and 10 Seers.

All Weights and Scales should comply with the Bombay Weights and Measures Act of 1932.

The Tenderer must specify whether the Scales and Weights are of Indian manufacture or Imported and whether he is a manufacturer or an agent or a middleman.

The undersigned does not bind himself to accept any or the lowest tender.

Earnest Money in the form of Reserve Bank or Treasury Office Chalan to the value of Rs. 100/- should accompany each tender. The necessary Chalan forms can be had from this office.

As far as possible, preference will be given to Swadeshi articles.

J. A. NEALE,
Superintendent.
Govt. Printing & Stationery,
Bombay.
4628

STORES PURCHASE COMMITTEE

Nawanagar State.

NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for the Supply of Consumable Stores to the Jamnagar & Dwarka Railway during the year 1941|42. They should be sent in sealed cover addressed to THE PRESIDENT, STORES PURCHASE COMMITTEE, NAWANAGAR STATE, JAMNAGAR superscribed "Tenders for Railway Consumable Stores" so as to reach by Friday the 25th April, 1941.

Earnest Money Deposit of Rs. 250/- should be sent to the Auditor, Jamnagar & Dwarka Railway, Jamnagar and the Money Receipt granted by the Auditor should be attached to the Tender. No Tender will be considered without Earnest Money.

Copies of Tenders can be obtained from the Superintendent of Stores, Jamnagar & Dwarka Railway, Jamnagar on payment of Rs. 3|- per form.

The Undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

B. N. ANANTANI,
President,
Stores Purchase Committee,
Nawanagar State.
Jamnagar, D|26-3-41.
(4663)

STORES PURCHASE COMMITTEE

Nawanagar State.

NOTICE.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the Supply of Stationery Articles to the Jamnagar & Dwarka Railway during the year 1941|42. They should be sent in a sealed cover addressed to the PRESIDENT, STORES PURCHASE COMMITTEE, NAWANAGAR STATE, JAMNAGAR superscribed "Tender for Railway Stationery Articles" so as to reach by Midday of the 25th April, 1941.

Earnest Money Deposit of Rs. 100|- should be sent to the Auditor, Jamnagar & Dwarka Railway, Jamnagar and the Money Receipt granted by the Auditor should be attached to the Tender. No Tender will be considered without Earnest Money.

Copies of Tenders can be obtained from the Superintendent of Stores, Jamnagar & Dwarka Railway, Jamnagar on payment of Re. 1|- per form.

The Undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

B. N. ANANTANI,
President,
Stores Purchase Committee,
Nawanagar State
Jamnagar, D|26-3-41.
(4662)

Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the Will of AHMED HAJI ABOO ROKERYA alias AHMED HAJI ABOO ROKEDYA, of Bombay Memon Mahomedan inhabitant, a landlord, residing at the time of his death at Mahomedally Road without the Fort .. Deceased.

(1) ABDUL KARIM AHMED and (2) EBRAHIM AHMED, both of Bombay Memon Mahomedan inhabitants, residing at Hasham Bldg., Mahomedally Road, without the Fort of Bombay the Executors of the last will and testament of Ahmed Haji Aboo Rokerya—deceased .. Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 26th day of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-one and in the fifth year of our Reign.

(Sd.) S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Prothonotary & Senior Master.
(Sd.) K. K. DASTUR,
The 26th day of March, 1941.
Messrs. NAGINDAS HOOSEINALLY & CO.,
Petitioners' Attorneys.
(4666)

Public Notices

THE INDIAN IRON & STEEL CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Twelve Annas per share on the Ordinary Shares of the Company ranking for dividend for the year ended 31st March, 1941, has been sanctioned by the Board. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8th to 15th April, 1941, both days inclusive Payment will be made on and after the 25th April 1941, to those Members or their Mandatees whose names appear in the Registers on the 7th April, 1941.

By Order of the Board,
BURN & CO.,
Managing Agents.
Calcutta, 25th March, 1941.
(4665)

Legal Notices

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

I. C. NO. 26 OF 1940.

In the matter of the INDIAN COMPANIES ACT VII of 1913,

and

In the matter of the INDIAN INSURANCE ACT, IV of 1938,

and

In the matter of THE GREAT INDIA ASSURANCE CO. LTD (In Liquidation).

MORARJI MULRAJ KHATAU .. Petitioner.

MEETING OF CREDITORS AND CONTRIBUTORIES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Official Liquidator will hold a meeting of the Creditors of the abovenamed Company in his Office at 125, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 7th April, 1941, at 4 p.m., to consider whether a Committee of Inspection shall be appointed to act with the Liquidator and who are to be members of the Committee if appointed and will also hold a meeting of the Contributories of the abovenamed Company in his above Office on Wednesday the 16th April, 1941, at 4 p.m., to consider the decision of the creditors arrived at at the previous meeting.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 1941.

B. K. DESAI,
Official Liquidator,
Maneckjee Wadia Bldg.,
125, Esplanade Road,
Fort, Bombay.
(4629)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION

Two Court Fee Stamps Rs. 8-0-0.

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Succession Certificate in respect of certain debts and securities belonging to RATANSEY TULSIDAS, late of "Shahbaug" Pedder Road, Bombay, Wool Merchant, carrying on business at Bombay under the name, style or firm of Eastern Wool Trading Company, Hindu Inhabitant .. Deceased.

PARVATIBAI RATANSEY, of Bombay Hindu inhabitant, residing at Hindustan Assurance Building, Altamount Road, outside the Fort, Widow of the said deceased ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Succession Certificate.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 20th day of March, in the year of our Lord One Thousand nine hundred and forty-one and in the fifth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) S. J. RAHIMTOOLA.
Prothonotary & Senior Master.
(Sd.) K. K. DASTUR,
The 20th day of March, 1941.
Messrs. CRAWFORD BAYLEY & CO.,
Petitioners' Attorneys.
(4661)

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Public Notices

G. I. P. RAILWAY—TENDER

THE CHIEF ENGINEER, G.I.P Railway, Victoria Terminus, Bombay, invites tenders for the supply of Babool wood keys for 69 lbs. D.H. and 82 lbs. B. H. rails Form of Tender, Schedule, Conditions of contract and drawings can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2|- per set which amount will not be refunded. Closing date 18th April 1941 at 3 P.M. (S.T.). Payment by cheque, Postal Order, or postage stamps will not be accepted.

(4651)

Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KHATRI HAJI ABUBACKER HAJI ARAT and KHATRI ISMAIL HAJI ARAT have contracted to sell to our clients the undermentioned property. All persons having any claim to or upon the said property or any part thereof by way of mortgage sale, lease, gift, trust, use, inheritance, lien, easement, encumbrance or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Mercantile Bank Buildings, Esplanade Road, Fort, within fourteen days from the date hereof, failing which, all claims will be considered as waived and the purchase will be completed without any regard thereto.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of Foras Freehold land (redeemed), containing by admeasurement 12,000 square yards be it more or less together with the buildings and erections standing thereon situate at the junction of Arthur Road and Currey Road in the Island and City of Bombay and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, being part of land registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 434, 714, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, and 728, Collectors New Nos. 12459, A/12705, 12713, A/12466 and 12712, New Survey Nos. 2531, 1-3/2532 and 2/2532, Cadastral Survey No. 68 (part) Parel Sewri Division and assessed by the Assessor of Bombay Municipality under F Ward Nos. 292(1) (2), 294, 295 and Street Nos. 49 and 61(D) (E) (H), Currey Road and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the North by Currimbhoy Charity Buildings, on or towards the East by the property of Allimahomed Haji Cassum, on or towards the South by the property of Godrej and Boyce Manufacturing Co., Ltd., and on or towards the West by the G. I. P. Railway Lines.

Dated this 27th day of March 1941.

PAYNE & CO
Purchasers' Attorneys

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Auction Sales

BENNETT & CO.

Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by public auction (TO-MORROW) SUNDAY the 30th March, 1941 at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) at No. 18A ground floor near Worli Garden and opp. Sea face, ultra modern and artistically designed figure wood drawing, dining, office and bedroom furniture, etc., property of a gentleman

On view.

BENNETT & CO.

CRAWFORD & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF PROPERTY SITUATE AT UDIPI, SOUTH CANARA.

Under instructions from the Official Assignee of Bombay and Assignee of the Estate and effects of the Insolvent Shrinivasrao Santhappaya Padbidri, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., Auctioneers, will sell by public auction on THURSDAY, 17th April, 1941, at 3.0 P.M. (S.T.) at their rooms at 122, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, the right, title, interest and share of the insolvent abovenamed in the garden and house situate at Udipi, South Kanara, admeasuring 28 cents and bearing Survey No. 111 and Municipal House No. 3501.

For further particulars apply to:
CRAWFORD & CO.

EASTERN AUCTION CO.

AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) at 11-30 A.M. (S.T.) at Kapadia Building, Kalbadevi Road. Near Swadeshi Market, of complete Bungalow furniture. H. M. V. Gramophone, Singer Machine, Remington Typewriter, Milner & George Safes, Hall Carpets, Bronze Figures, Ice Box, Chesterfield sets, Portable Typewriter. Harmoniums. Wrist watches, Wardrobes, Dining-table & Chairs, Show cases, etc.

On The Air

SATURDAY, MARCH 29.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 5-20 M. Siddiq. 5-30 Husn Lal. 5-45 Asad Ali Khan. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Special announcements. 6-15 Maqsood Anwar. 6-30 Raftar i Zamana. 6 45 Husn Lal. 7 For villagers only. 7 45 Loose Sallies. 8 Napolean Ki Maut. 8-20 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 8-30 Berlin ki Khabren. 8 45 Master Madan. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-35 B B C News relay. 9-45 Asa Ali Khan. 10 5 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 10 2 Master Madan. 10-45 News in English

Bombay I & II Programmes

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 a.m Musical prelude. 8 5 News in Marathi. 8 15 News in Gujarati. 8 25 to 8 40 As in Delhi 2. 8 40 News in Hindustani. 8 50 News in English. 9 to 9 50 As in Delhi 2 9 50 A. R. P. Talk.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.4 metres (9.550 kc/s)

11-30 to 12-57 p.m As in Delhi 2. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1 30 News in English 1 35 to 2 As in Delhi 2.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)
From 7 30 Bombay 2 will operate on 89.15 metres (3.365 kc/s)

5 p.m. To-morrow. 5 5 Indian music. 5 25 News in Marathi. 5 30 News in Gujarati. 5 35 Indian music. 6 News in English. 6 5 News in Hindustani. 6 10 Indian music. 6 15 Talk by Marcella Genge 6 30 Indian music. 6 45 B. B. C. records. 7 15 Amritlal (vocal). 7 25 Talk of town. 7 30 Commercial news. 8 45 Mr. Tufail (vocal). 7 55 News in Marathi. 8 10 News in Gujarati. 8 25 to 8 30 As in Delhi 2. 8 30 Berlin ki Khabren. 8 45 to 9 As in Delhi 2. 9 News in Hindustani. 9 20 News in English. 9 30 B B C News relay. 10 to 10 45 As in Delhi 2.

Calcutta I—Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time.)

5 p.m. Kamodeshwar Bhattacharya. 5 10 Nirmal Ghose. 5 25 Profulla Kumar Das. 5 35 Kamodeshwar Bhattacharya. 5 45 News in Bengali. 5 50 Profulla Kumar Das. 6 News in English. 6 5 Brojen Sen. 6 20 For the rural and industrial areas. 7 Binapani Mukerjee II. 7 35 Dakshina Mohon Tagore. 7 50 Maa-Elo-Re. 8 40 Announcements in Bengali. 8 45 News in Bengali. 9 Florence Bunten. 9 15 Announcements in English. 9 20 News in English. 9 30 B B C News relay. 10 Dance music.

"HISTORY AND IDIOCY!"

New Delhi, March 28

On Saturday (March 29) at 7 45 p.m., Sir F. E. James will broadcast a talk on the dictum "History like an idiot repeats itself". The talk will be heard on 338.6 metres and 85.84 metres.—A.P.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

	Arr. H.M	Dep H.M
Madras Mail	6 00	22 00
Peshawar Express	6 15	22 45
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8-55	18-10
Calcutta Mail (via Chhoeki)	9-30	20 15
Madras Express	10 15	14 30
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	12 30	17 40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21 00
Poona Express	19 30	08 05
Allahabad Express	20 25	07 00
Poona Past Passenger	21 45	12 10

B B & C. I. Railway.

(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M	Dep H.M
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 05
Delhi Express	5 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	5 45	22 00
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 15
	(Mon)	(Sat)
The Flying Ranee Bulsar	*9 15	15 55
The Flying Ranee Surat	*9 48	to 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10 58	00 00
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday)	00 00	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	15 05	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 48	9 00

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, March 28

Fine White Java sugar per cwt:—
From Bond Rs. 10-14-0
Shipment March Rs. 9-6-0 F R H
Indian sugars ready:—
Ready (ordinary) Rs. 14-0-0 to 14-6-0
Ready (large grain) Rs. 14-7-0 to 15-7-0
Tone:—Steady.

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Liverpool Cotton Association Unanimously Decide Closure Of Futures Market

ACTIVE MILL PRICE FIXING AND PROFESSIONAL BUYING IN NEW YORK

Scale-Up Sales In New Crop Months

BOMBAY, March 28.

On Thursday the Liverpool Cotton Directors unanimously recommend closure of the Futures Market from March 31st. All contracts then outstanding will be settled by delivery or invoicing back at the ruling official value with adjustments for ruling price differences relative to March.

The New York Cotton Market was steady on mill price fixing and professional buying.

Cotton prices on the New York Cotton Exchange advanced on Thursday on the firmness of the Wall Street market and favourable interpretation of Baikan developments. The Chicago grains market after being firmer with securities and mill buying, quietened and edged off on hedging against enlarged loan redemption and profit-taking on technical considerations after successive advances.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

The New York cotton market opened steady. After early hesitancy, trade and mill price-fixing and local as well as professional buying absorbed active scale-up selling of new crop months by an Eastern Spot House and long liquidation.

The market opened at about the lowest level of the day at a decline of 2 points with May 10.83. There was scattered business but active buying soon developed pushing up prices and May delivery advanced to 10.93 which was the highest level. Towards there was small liquidation and the session closed at a net rise of 4 to 5 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 5 points at 11.20c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was fairly steady on moderate buying and closed at a rise of 4 to 6 points. Spot cotton prices were raised 3 points at 10.93c per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Cotton Association Directors unanimously recommend closure of the Futures Market from March 31 All contracts then outstanding will be settled by delivery or invoicing back at the ruling official value with adjustments for ruling price differences relative to March.

The Liverpool cotton market opened unchanged with March 8.58. The market was idle but steady despite definite announcement of the closure of the futures market on March 31 as most of the outstanding commitments except direct trade contracts are apparently liquidated. There was some liquidation and trade calling. The market closed at a decline of 3 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices advanced 4 points at 8.96d. per lb.

Egyptian cotton market was quietly steady. Uppers futures closed one point down and Gizas were unchanged.

LOCAL MARKET

Messrs. M. and B. Stern state:—

Forward market opened very steady in sympathy with the strength of wheat and linseed but renewed realising by Commission Houses checked the advance Later there was heavy liquidation following various unfounded political rumours and the closing tone was weak.

Operators are waiting to see what tenders there will be next month and also the opening of the new April/May Broach contract. Meantime wide fluctuations appear likely to continue with the market once again susceptible to political developments. With the market in its present tempo we feel advantage should be taken of any sharp setbacks to effect purchases.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York May highest (2-20 p.m.)	10.93+08
New York May lowest (10 a.m.)	10.83—02
Liverpool July highest	8.64
Liverpool July lowest	8.61—03

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Market steady. Trade and local buying absorbed by hedging.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 27

May	10.90+05
July	10.85+05
October	10.74+04
December	10.74+05
January	10.71+04
March	10.69+04
Middling Spot	11.20+05

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, March 27

March	10.93+04
May	10.90+05
July	10.82+05
October	10.79+06
December	10.76+06
January	10.75+04
Middling Spot	10.93+03

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 27

	11 a.m. call	Noon call
May	10.86	10.87
July	10.84	10.84
October	10.74	10.74

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, March 27

	Bales
Day's receipts at all U S Ports	5,000
Day's exports to Great Britain	nil.
Day's exports to the Continent	nil.
Day's exports to China and Japan	nil.

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, March 27

March	8.59—03
May	8.60—03
July	8.61—03
October	8.55—03
December	8.52—03
January	8.51—03
Middling Spot	8.96+04

11 A.M. QUOTATIONS

March	unquoted
October	8.58

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, March 28

The tone of the market continued uninspiring with prices showing a declining tendency. Tata Deferreds opened at 1940 and steadily declined to 1925 but improved towards the close to 1927-8. Tata Ordinaries opened at 390 and moved around that level closing finally at 388-8. Bombay Dyeings ruled steady at 1075 while Indian Irons were quiet at 31-12.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, to-day:—

Tata Deferreds (1940) 1940 25 30 27-8
Tata Ordinaries (389-8) 390 88-8 89-8 88-8
Tata Ordinary 388/8; Tata Deferred 1927/8; Indian Iron 31/12; Bombay Dyeing 1075; Century 395; Central India 305; Kohinoor 410; Associated Cement 138/8; Bombay Burma 532/8; Scindia Steam 21/4; Tata Hydro 177/8; Reserve Bank 105; Imperial Bank P P 1552/8; Central Bank 43/10; Bank of India 141; 3 1/2 per cent Paper 95/12.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, March 28.

2 3/4 per cent 1948-52 Loan 97
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 95-12
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 100-10
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds 99 7
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 95
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 102-7
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 108-15
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 104-9
3 per cent War Bonds 101-7
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 113/8

TAX FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 111-11
4 per cent 1953/65 Mysore 115-6
4 per cent 1955 Mysore 125

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1947 108-4
4 per cent M Deb 1974 107-12
3 per cent M Deb 1954 116
6 per cent M Deb 1954 128-4
6 per cent B P T 1956 128

Tone:—Steady.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, March 27

Broach A/M highest 241 1/2 lowest 234 1/2 closing 234 1/2
Broach J/A highest 239 1/4 lowest 232 1/2 closing 232 1/2
Oomra May highest 174 1/2 lowest 172 1/2 closing 172 1/2
Oomra July highest 174 1/2 lowest 172 1/2 closing 172 1/2
Bengal May highest 138 1/2 lowest 133 1/2 closing 133 1/2
Bengal July highest 140 1/2 lowest 135 closing 135

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below Liverpool May 321 penny points at 1/6
Broach J/A below Liverpool July 327 penny points at 1/6
Broach A/M below New York May 186 cent points at 331
Broach J/A below New York July 189 cent points at 331

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, March 27

UPPERS:—	
Spot	11.07—0
March	10.37—1
May	10.38—1
July	10.39—1
November	10.34—1
January	10.34—1
GIZA NO. 2:—	
Spot	12.05—0
March	11.05—0
May	11.04—0
July	11.00—0
November	11.02—0
January	11.02—0

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, March 28

LONDON:—
B. C. RATES:—
T T D D 1/5 15/16 to 27th September
Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 to 27th September
Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 27th Sept.
Bank's buying D D 1/6 3/32 one month.
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 7/32 one month
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 1/4 two months
NEW YORK:—
Bank's selling T T 332 3/4
Bank's buying T T 329 3/4
Bank's buying D D 328
JAPAN:—
Bank's selling T T 81 1/4 nominal.
Bank's buying T T 77 nominal.
Bank's buying 60 days 76 1/4 nominal.
JAVA:—
Bank's selling D D 55 3/4
HONGKONG:—
Bank's selling D D 85 1/4
SHANGHAI:—
Bank's selling D D 20
SINGAPORE:—
Bank's selling D D 157 3/4
CROSS RATES:—
Hongkong London 1/3 1/32 28th inst.
Shanghai London 0/3 3/8 28th inst.
New York London 4.03 1/4 27th inst.
London Java 7.58/62 27th inst.
London New York 4.02 1/2—3 1/2 27th inst.
London Switzerland 17.30/40 27th inst.
London Stockholm 16.85/95 27th inst.
London Japan 1/2 1/2 27th inst.
London Canada 4.43/47 27th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Shade easier.
Gold £8-8-0 27th inst.
Silver London Ready 23 1/2 27th inst.
Silver London Forward 23 7/16 27th inst.
Silver New York Ready 34 3/4 26th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent 27th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent 27th inst
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money: Call unlendable.
3 months 1/2 per cent
6 months 3/4 per cent.
Tone:—Very easy

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 27

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£70 1/2
Indian stocks 3 per cent 1948	£89 1/8
Indian stocks 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£99 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£78
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£104 1/4
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	£104 7/8
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£112 7/8
Victory bonds 4 per cent	£111
Chartered Bank of I A and China	£8 5/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Register)	£74
National Bank of India	£31 1/2

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, March 27

T T London on:—	
New York	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
Madrid	40.50
Montreal	4.43/4.47
Berne	17.30/17.40
Stockholm	16.85/16.95

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, March 28

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal U P	141	139	137	135	
M G Punjab	148	139	137	135	
M G Rajputana	146	144	142	140	
M G Oomra No. 3	183	180	177	174	
M G C P No. 1	213	210	207	204	
M G C P No. 2	195	192	189	186	
M G Broach No. 2		243	241	237	235
M G Punjab-Ameri.		283	281	278	275
M G Surat		355	353	350	347
M G Rajpipla		350	348	345	342
M G Navsari		365	363	360	357

Scattered Selling In Share Bazar

MODERATE SUPPORT AT DECLINE

Narrow Movement Awaiting Developments

Bombay, March 28

The local share bazar opened steady today and under reports of Baikan developments there appeared moderate selling and prices eased off. At the decline there was scattered buying and prices recovered few points. The market is more inclined to await Baikan developments and business was restricted.

It appears that prices of manufactured goods are hardening and the cost of living is increasing while large defence expenditure is viewed have inflationary effect to some extent. The recent rise in commodity prices is also likely to improve the general buying capacity. Thus the market outlook remains moderately constructive.

Wall Street market was quieter and gains were reduced but generally maintained and the session closed steady with Yugo coup a stimulating factor but the strike at Allis Chalmers is reinvoking caution. U. S. Steel shares closed 3/8 up at 57 3/8 and Anaconda Copper Mining shares closed 1/8 up at 24 5/8 dollars.

Tata Steel Defd shares opened to-day at Rs. 2030 and after advancing to Rs. 2040 declined to Rs. 2015 and steadied at Rs. 2021. Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 394 and Bombay Dyeing shares were quoted at Rs. 1121. The tone of the market was quietly steady.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, March 28

Bombay Dyeing (1123/12)	1122 1126 1130
Century (417)	417 419 421 420 422 418 415
Central India (328)	326 327 328 327
Kohinoor (429/8)	428 432, 429 430 429
New Great (444/8)	442 446 444
Simplex (112)	112/8 112
Swadeshi (308)	307 310 307 308 306
Associated Cement (144/8)	144/12 144
Andhra (1800)	1800
Tram Ord (136/4)	137/8
Tata Hydro (185)	181
Tata Power (1630)	1640
T Steel Defd (2030)	2030 2040 2015 2025 2017
T Steel Ord (394/8)	395 396 393 394
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (149/4)	149/4
Bellapur (217/8)	216
B Steam (318)	318
B Burma (568/12)	570 568 567

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, March 28.

100	Ahm. Advance	283 2
250	BOMBAY DYEING	1120 0
100	CENTURY	416 0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	327 0
100	COLABA	184 0
100	Coorla	106 8
250	David	37 8
250	Dawn	347 8
1	E. D. Sassoon Def.	0 14 6
100	FINLAY	187 0
100	GOKAK	224 0
1000	Hinduetan	2150 0
100	Indore	72 0
100	Khatau	155 0
100	KOHINOOR	429 0
250	LAXMI	572 8
100	MORARJI	200 0
200	Model	92 12
50	MYSORE	110
200	NEW GREAT	444 0
100	Osmanshahi	59 8
100	Phoenix	280 0
25	Sassoon Silk	93 4
1000	Sholapur	2790 0
50	SIMPLEX	112 8
100	SWADESHI	306 0
100	SWAN	202 8
500	Vishnu	1410 0
1000	Western	1205 0

BANKS

50-100	BARODA	107 8
25-50	CENTRAL	43 11
500	IMPERIAL	1555 0
125-500	Imp Contrys.	386 4
50-100	India X.D.	141 0
100	RESERVE BANK	105 0
5	UNION X.D.	6 8

CEMENTS

100	ASSOCIATED	144 0

INSURANCE

100	Empire	652 8
15-100	JUPITER	13 10
20	Mercantile	66 0
15-75	NEW INDIA	42 8
200	Oriental	3935 0
10-50	Vulcan	8 11

ELECTRIC

100	AHMD. OLD	182 8
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY X.D.	1800 0
10	AJMER	12 4
50	BOMBAY TRAM	137 8
100	Bombay Suburban	185 0
10	Broach	13 8
100	Karachi	215 0
100	Poona	225 0
100	Surat	181 4
1000	TATA HYDRO	181 0
1000	TATA POWER	1640 0

RAILWAYS

500	Ahmedabad Prantij	837 8
100	C. Province	106 4
100	Dhond Baramati	194 4
100	Gujarat X-D	98 12
100	Mandra Bhon	103 8
100	Pachora Jamner	63 8
100	Sara Sirajgunj	103 0
500	Tapti Valley X.D.	645 0

MININGS

9	Burma Corporation	4 15
8sh.	Indian Copper	2 2 6
10	Indian Iron and Steel	31 14
15	SHIVRAJPUR	31 12
30	TATA STEEL DEF.	2017 8
75	TATA STEEL ORD.	391 0
100	Steel Corporation	19 0

MISCELLANEOUS

100	ALCOCK	580 0
10	Air Service	3 8
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	216 0
200	Bombay Safe Dep.	595 0
250	BOMBAY STEAM	318 0
125	B. BURMA	567 8
50	B. Burma Cont	190 0
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	3 9 3
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE	86 0
100	IND. BLEACHING	137 8
50	Ind. Invest. Trust	46 12
100	Ind. Radio Def.	512 8
100	Indian Radio Ord.	515 0
100	Port Canning	86 0
30	PREMIER CON.	91 0
15	SCINDIA	21 4
25	Tata Oil	43 12
100	Wimco	204 0

PREFERENCE

7	p.c. Andhra Valley	154b 0
7	p.c. Bombay Steam	315 0
7	p.c. Bom. Tram (T.F.)	76 8
5	p.c. Central India (T.F.)	645 0
6	1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 1st	117 8
6	1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 2nd	109 8
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	153 2
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Power X.D.	1542 8
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	215 0
7	1/2 p.c Tata Steel 2nd	149 8
7	p.c. Vishnu	753 12

DEBENTURES

3/4	p.c Andhra Valley	101 4
6	p.c. Andhra Valley	101 4
4	p.c Bom Telephone	51 8
5	p.c. Sholapur	76 4
6	o.c Tata Hydro	100 4

LONDON RUBBER

London, March 27

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb buyers	14 5/16

PRODUCE MARKET.

Bombay, March 28

The following are the weekly quotations for the Precious Metals:—

Platinum 100 per cent Rs. 68 per tola Elephant Brand
Platinum 97 per cent Rs. 67 per tola Elephant Brand
Platinum 25 per cent Rs. 20 per tola Anchor Brand
Palladium 100 per cent Rs. 50 per tola
Iridium 100 per cent Rs. 200 per tola
Osmium 100 per cent Rs. 70 per tola
Ruthenium 100 per cent Rs. 90 per tola
Rhodium 100 per cent Rs. 250 per tola

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, March 28

Groundnuts May—		
Opening	Rs.	33 12 0
Highest		34 5 0
Lowest		33 12 0
Closing		33 15 0
Castorseeds May—		
Opening		32 4 0
Highest		32 9 0
Lowest		32 0 0
Closing		32 2 6
Cottonseeds May—		
Opening		21 3 6
Highest		21 5 0
Lowest		21 1 0
Closing		21 2 0

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS.

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES

Bombay, March 28

Yarn No. 6 1/2s. April 136; June 137; August 138
Yarn No. 10 1/2s. April 159; June 161; August 162
Yarn No. 20 1/2s. April 225; June 228; August 229
Yarn No. 40s. April 323; June 325; August 327

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, March 28

Yellow metal sheets	Rs. 72 0 0
Copper sheets	Rs. 82 8 0

Tone:—Steady.

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

F F Bales	1940-41	1939-40
Receipts to date 27-3-41	3141000	6881000
Receipts yesterday 27-3-41	5000	7000
Export to date 27-3-41	794000	5359000
Stock at Ports 21-3-41	3483000	2926000
Stock at Interior Towns 21-3-41	3061000	2661000
Stock at Liverpool 21-3-41	.....	.....
Visible Supply 21-3-41	.....	.....
Quantity in sight 21-3-41	9541000	12126000
Quantity out of sight 21-3-41	.....	.....

PEPPER & GINGER.

Bombay, March 28

The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd:—

Pepper ready Alleppey per candy Rs. 85 8 0
Pepper Chaitra Sud 15 per candy 84 8 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15 per candy ... 87 8 0
Ginger bleached per cwt 18 0 0
Ginger Chaitra Sud 15 per cwt 16 12 0
Ginger Vaishakh Sud 15 per cwt ... 17 4 0

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, March 28

Approx. quotations.	Ready
Bengal Fine	133-37
Berar	174-77
C. P. 1	208-11
C. P. 2	182-88
Khandesh	149-86
Muglai	160-62
Broach	241-43
Punjab S. G. 289 F.	363-73
Punjab R. G. 289 F.	238-43
Punjab R. G. 4 F.	278-85

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS.

Bombay, March 28

Wheat May	0 5 6
Wheat September	0 10 6
Linseed May	0 7 6
Linseed September	1 0 0
Groundnut May	2 10 0
Castorseeds May	3 4 0
Cottonseed May	1 9 0
Silver 1st settlement	0 12 0
Silver 2nd settlement	1 12 0
Gold 1st settlement	0 10 0
Gold 2nd settlement	1 4 0

LINSEED & WHEAT

Bombay, March 28

Linseed May	5 7 9
Linseed September	5 10 0
Wheat May	4 9 3
Wheat September	4 1 0

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, March 28

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales.

	Yesterday.	This year	Last year
Khandesh	84	92,886	49,940
Central India	209	122,733	99,765
Barsi and Nagar	710	93,679	105,975
Hyderabad/Gaorani	354	32,864	42,549
Berar	1,607	322,242	281,522
Central Provinces	307	67,529	69,480
Total Oomras	3,271	731,634	639,856
Dholeras	239	60,563	59,208
N W Provinces	.....	1,202	23,546
Rajputana	.....	5,037	26,711
Sind-Punjab	3,836	416,010	306,948
Broach	1,420	70,399	292,196
Coompta & Dharwar	2,022	38,827	17,671
Westerns-Northerns	1,293	42,245	18,722
Cocoanada	.....	239	8 2
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	106	1,039	1,309
Total	1,187	1,367,195	1,385,249
Arrived by road to 20th March 1941	.....	223,133	204,358

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay: March 28.

500 tons palm oil, 2036 pcs Douglas Fir lumber, 184 bdls Douglas fir lumber, 679 casks tallow, 2041 bags copra, 14336 bags sugar, 54 bags boric acid, 32 bags scrap metal, 236 bags betelnuts, 110 bags cassia, 332 c/s milk powder, 1150 c/s evap milk, 71 c/s red salmon, 130 c/s quinine, 32 bls fibre, 32 cts cheese, 216 dms palm oil, 315 bls printing paper, 219 cts wrapping paper, 2142 bls old newspaper, 50 c/s salad oil, 14990 c/s tea, 50 drums arrack, 58 bdls old radiator brass, 6969 bags cocoanuts, 1237 bags ginger, 27 jottas pineapples, 35 jottas coir yarn, 167 jottas coir rope, 51 bags black pepper.

EXPORTS

100 bales raw cotton S R Tulshan and Co; 3153 bags grdnut seeds M Bhuta and Co; 1186 bags linseeds M Bhuta and Co; 19254 bags linseeds Louis Dreyfus and Co; 5904 bgs groundnuts Louis Dreyfus and Co; 100 bls raw cotton L Ramji and Co; 134 bags flea seed Narsi Mulji and Co; 100 bags fennel seed Narsi Mulji and Co; 2544 bags grdnut kernals The East Asiatic Co. (India); 2500 tons pig iron The Indian Iron and Steel Co Ltd; 466 bags gum Mepani Bros; 200 bls cotton waste Sapt T Products (India) Ltd; 1280 bags grdnut kernals The Oilseeds Trading Co Ltd; 1185 bags linseeds The Oilseeds Trading Co Ltd; 100 bls raw cotton The Podar Trading Co Ltd; 15246 bags linseeds Ralli Bros Ltd; 3786 bags groundnuts Ralli Bros Ltd; 50 bls raw cotton Kilachand Devchand and Co Ltd; 1167 bags linseed Kilachand Devchand and Co Ltd; 1920 bags grdnuts Kilachand Devchand and Co Ltd.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bulls Transfer Purchases Of Broach From A/M To J/A Delivery

Bombay, March 28

As the time of delivery against Broach A/M contracts is drawing near, local bulls who have a large long interest were found transferring their purchases of A/M to J/A delivery. This act on the part of professional operators resulted into narrowing difference.

There is scarcity of staple cotton which is still commanding premium over contract rates. This year Broach crop is smaller and eventually there will be scarcity of long staple cotton and sellers will be in a position to dictate their own price.

The local market was expected to open at Rs. 233 for Broach J/

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NEW YORK COTTON SIXTEEN POINTS UP

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICE
JULY 1941
New York: March 28.

Previous closing	10.85
To-day's opening	10.92
Difference	+7
To-day's closing	11.01
Difference	+16

BROACH EXPECTATION

Broach April/May	Rs. 230/8
Broach July/August	Rs. 228/8

LIVERPOOL COTTON
MARCH 1941
Liverpool: March 28.

Previous closing	8.59
To-day's opening	8.61
Difference	+2
To-day's closing	8.64
Difference	+5

NEW YORK COTTON
New York: March 28.
New York cotton displayed considerably brighter sentiment following a renewal of activity influenced by very encouraging reports of Government's farm policy. Trading in July began at 10.92, i.e. seven points higher than the last closing. Prices advanced sharply on general buying and covering on bullish Washington news. The market continued very lively throughout with prices touching new high levels on persistent speculative and covering purchases. July later advanced by over 25 points.
The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton:—
May (10.83/83) 10.95/96
July (10.81/81) 10.92/92
October (10.71/71) 10.91/90
The following are opening rates on Liverpool cotton market:—
American March (8.61) 8.65
American May (8.62) 8.66
Egyptian Giza March (11.05) 11.06
Egyptian Giza May (11.04) 11.04

LONDON COMMODITIES
London: March 28.
Castorseeds January/February unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta March April (£18 9/16 quoted) £18 9/16 quoted
Linseed La Plata April (£11 5/16 quoted) £11 5/16 quoted
Groundnuts Coromandal March April (£17 1/4 quoted) £17 1/4 quoted
JUTES
Dundee March (£45) £45
Lightning March (£40) £40

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES
T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York: March 28.

Previous closing	4.03 1/4
To-day's closing	4.03 1/4

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London: March 28.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS
London: March 28.
T. T. London on Paris not quoted.

LONDON BULLION
LONDON SILVER
London: March 28.
Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil
Forward (23 7/16d) 23 7/16d nil
LONDON GOLD
London: March 28.
London Gold (£8/8/0) £8/8/0.

LONDON EXCHANGES
London: March 28.
London Exchange opened with the sterling/dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50, which is officially fixed rate.
CROSS RATES
London on Bombay (1-6) 1-6
Paris on Bombay not quoted.
New York on Milan not quoted.
New York on Bombay (30.35) 30.35
London on Shanghai (0-3 1/16 to 0-3 3/8) 0-3 1/16 to 0-3 3/8
London on Kobe (1-2 to 1-2 1/2) 1-2 to 1-2 1/2
DISCOUNTS
3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent.

BULLION AND SEEDS
Bombay: March 28.
There was no trading during the night session.

RUBBER
Spot (14 7/16d paid) 14 1/8d paid and buyers.
Forward July September (14 1/8d paid and buyers) 13 7/8d paid and buyers.
LONDON METALS
Tin (£273 3/4 buyers; £274 sellers. Firm) £274 buyers; £274 1/4 sellers. Very steady.
Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE
Dull Tone

Calcutta: March 28.
The Share Market continues dull. Jutes, Cottons, Teas and Govt securities remained unchanged. Coals shares kept steady and speculative Engineering issues and Miscellaneous industrials were irregular.
The following are closing quotations:—
Govt Securities: 3 per cent Govt paper 81/14, 3 per cent Defence Bonds 1946 10/11 s lot, 3 per cent Loan 1941 100/7, 3 1/2 per cent Govt paper 95/12, 3 per cent loan 1963/65 95/3, 3 per cent loan 1951/54 99/7 s lot, 4 per cent loan 1960/70 109/3 s lots; 5 per cent Loan 1945/55 111/10 s lot; 5 per cent U P Bonds 1944 107.
Banks: Central 44; Imperial fully paid 1540 ct.
Railways: Baraset Basirhat 35/8 s lots; Darjeeling Himalayan Pref 102 s lots.
Cottons: Bengal Luxmi 35/8 s odd lot, Elgin mills ord 19/2, Dunbar 201/8, Mohini Mills 11/14, New Victoria ord 2/2.
Coals: Baraboni annas 6, Bengal 353, Borrea 15/2 ct. Central Kurkend 13/8, Rhemo Main 13, Equitable 35/6 Parasea 1; Rewa 22, Seebpore 23/4, Prefd Singapore 'A' annas 13.
Jutes: Anglo India 317, Auckland 172, Calcutta Jute pref '102 s lot, Cheviot 181, Clive 21/14, Champdany 164 s lot, Ft. William 218/8 s lot, Gourepore 676/8 s lot, Hukumchand ordy 9, Pref 116/4 s lot, Hastings pref 137/8, Howrah 51/9, India 299/8, Kamarhatty 465, Kanknarrah 379 s odd lot, Meghna 39/12, Nellimarla 7/8, National 21/14 New Central 295, Northbrook 32, Nuddea 67/8 s lot, Rameshwara ord 5/8, Reliance 56, Waverley pref 51/4.
Mining: Burma Corpn 4/15, Consolidated Tin 2/9 c div; Indian Copper 2/1, Tavoy tins 1/1, Dalmia Sement ord 11/1 s lots, Pref 115 s odd lot; Bengal Telephone pref 12/1, Rawalpindi elec 25 12 ex-div s lot
Eng. Companies: Britannia Eng. 10/7, Hukumchand Steel ord 10/12 s lot, Defd 3/3 Indian Iron and Steel 31/15, Indian steel and Wire Products ord 53/8, Kumardhubi Eng ordy 4/4, Marshalls 2/2, National Iron and Steel 8/5, Steel corporation ord 18/15; Pref 118/8.
Miscellaneous: Bararee Coke 19/15, B I Corpn ord 4/9 c div; Industrial Credit Syndicate 3/2, Indian National airways Prefd ordy 9 ct.
Papers: Bengal 125, Orient New Pref 104, Star 10/4, Sree Gopal 10/8.
Sugars: Buland 15/14, Carew and Co 9 s lot, Dyer Meakin Brewery 7/2.
Teas: Borpukhuri 10/8, Duffinghur 13/12, Cingell 58.
Debentures: 3 1/4 per cent Rangoon Municipal 100/12 s lots; 5 per cent Darjeeling Ropeway 100—A. P.

Moses Wins Triple Crown

BARODA: March 27.
Angelo Moses, who has already won the men's singles and mixed doubles titles in the Union Gymkhana Tennis Tournament, annexed a third title last evening when he won the men's doubles final in partnership with P. S. Khambata.
Result: Men's doubles (Final): Angelo Moses and P. S. Khambata beat M. D. Purohit and Dr Gavthekar 6/3, 6/2.

Deadlock Tells On Industries

Bengal National Chamber Chief Criticises India Govt. Taxation Policy

CALCUTTA, March 26.
"The bold resistance offered by Britain has evoked worldwide admiration, and the equally brave defence offered by the Greeks has raised the nation in the estimation of the world," observed Dr. N. N. Law, presiding over the fifty-fourth annual general meeting of the Bengal National Chamber of Commerce, held in the premises of the Chamber today.
Referring to the political situation in India, Dr. Law pointed out that even in the face of a devastating war, it was unfortunate that neither His Majesty's Government nor the Government of India had done all they could to secure the whole-hearted co-operation of India. The August offer was but a half-hearted attempt. That offer was not accepted by any party in India, not even by the most moderate ones. The proceedings of the Leaders' Conference in Bombay should help Britain to read the mind of that section of the country, which had never been slow in offering all possible co-operation to the British Government in times good or bad, and to formulate such proposals as might be found acceptable to the country. The continuance of a condition of political stalemate, he maintained, tended to affect the national equilibrium, which was hardly conducive to the growth and development of commercial and industrial activities.
Reviewing the industrial policy of the Government of India Dr. Law pointed out that the measures adopted by Government fell far short of the requirements of the country.

TAXATION POLICY CRITICISED

Criticising the taxation policy of the Central Government, Dr. Law wondered whether the Commerce Member and other members of the Government had realised that the taxation policy, which was being followed by them would have exactly the opposite effect. "As a matter of fact, a substantial portion of the profits earned by businessmen are being appropriated by the Government and will not be available to them when in future they will have to meet the situation created by the aftermath of the war."—A. P.

Jakhau Jain Derasar Dispute

(From A Correspondent)
JAKHAU, March 27.
Vidyavijayjis "lavad" (arbitrator) has given his judgment in the Jain Derasar dispute. Derasar properties and possessions will be handed over to Champsi Kunverji Jivraj.
It is alleged that the judgment goes beyond the power of the arbitrator.

3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN
London: March 28.
3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99 5/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London: March 28.
London Stock Exchange was firm.
AUSTRALIAN LOANS
London: March 28.
5 per cent 1958/68 (£105) £105

BRITISH FUNDS
2 1/2 per cent Consols (£78) £78 1/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£104 1/4) £104 5/8
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99) £99
4 per cent Funding Loan (£112 7/8) £113
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£104 7/8) £105
New War Loan (£100 3/8) £100 3/8
4 1/2 per cent Victory bonds (£111) £111 1/4
INDUSTRIALS
Standard Motors (11-0) 11-1 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (32-10 1/2) 32-10 1/2
Hydro Electric No dealings
Electric Music Industry (7-3) 7-3
Princhin Johnson (18-0) 18-0
Imperial Chemicals (29-10 1/2) 30-0
Woolsworth New Ordinary (47) 47-0
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1939 (£49 3/4) £49 3/4
Dundee Rubber (33-0) 33-4 1/2
Unilever Ordinary (22-6) 22-6
Ford Motors (17-7 1/2) 17-6
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£59 3/4) £60 1/4
British African Tobacco Ordinary (86-3) 87-6
Carreas 'A' (£3 5/8) £3 5/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (90-0) 92-6
P and O Def (22-4 1/2) 22-7 1/2
Distillers (60-6) 60-9
Rredfords Dye (3-3) 3-3
British Celanese (3-10 1/2) 4-0
J and P Coates Ordinary (28-4 1/2) 28-7 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (30-3) 30-7 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-9) 2-9
Vickers Limited Ordinary (14-6) 14-6
Inter Nickel Ordinary (dol 40) dol 40 1/8
Indian Iron (47-6) 47-6
TEA SHARES
Assam Company (18-0) 18-0
Donaro Tea (29-4 1/2) 29-4 1/2
Empire of India (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
JUTE
Barnagore (£8) £8
RUBBER SHARES
Anglo Dutch Rubber (14-6) 14-6
Gula Kelampong (15-0) 15-0
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (25-0) 26-1 1/2
MINING SHARES
Nandydrug (17-6) 17-6
Burma Corporation (7-0) 7-1 1/2
Rio Tintos (£7 1/2, £7 1/2
East Rand Properties (40-0) 40-7 1/2
Rand Mines (£6 3/8) £6 3/8
MINE SHARES
Crown (£11 7/8) £12
Associated Portland Cement (53-1 1/2) 53-9
Trinidad Leasehold (55-0) 55-0
Sub-Nigel (£7 1/8) £7 1/4
Spring Mines Split Shares (21-3) 21-3
Union Corporation (£7) £7
OIL SHARES
Venezuela Persian (25-7 1/2) 25-7 1/2
Anglo India (33-1 1/2) 33-9
Burma Oil (52-5) 53-1 1/2
Mexican Eagle (7-7 1/2) 7-6
Shell Transport (40-0) 41-7 1/2
Royal Dutch (£17 1/2) £17 1/2
RAILWAY SHARES
Great Western Ordinary (£33 1/4) £34 1/4
London Midland Ordinary (£13 1/8) £13 1/2
London North Eastern Def (£1 5/8) £1 5/8
London Southern Def (£10 3/8) £10 5/8
London Transport 5 per cent (£122) £123
London Transport 'C' (£30) £30

SUGAR MARKET QUIET
Heavy Stocks And Small Demand

Bombay, March 26
Java sugar: Local market for ready Java sugar has continued to remain totally uninteresting and quotation is nominal as Indian sugars are available at the prices considerably below that of Java sugar. As regards Bonded Java sugar, market was firm due to demand from Out Ports and stocks being reduced to low level. Owing to firmness in ready, there was demand for Out Ports and transhipment for sugar exnamed steamers at higher rates and it is understood that business was done for a few hundred tons at Rs. 10/4 to Rs. 10/8 per cwt. ex-Bond in Bombay transhipment terms. As regards forward positions, there was practically no buying interest for May/June owing to uncertainty of shipments from Java and scarcity of freight. Java market was in the meantime reported steady with "Nivas" limits unchanged. Locally there was nothing doing in the market and business was chiefly confined to enquiries from Out Ports or for stocking the goods in the Bond for usual transhipment sales. At the close, tone of the market was steady.

INDIAN SUGAR
Market for Indian sugar continued to remain quiet with prices fluctuating within narrow limits. On the whole, prices have declined by one to two annas per cwt. as compared with last week owing to heavy stocks with unsatisfactory demand from consuming centres. Business was very restricted and confined to sales of ready or arrivals at best market rates. There was no interest in forward as local prices are 2 to 4 annas per md. below the Syndicate basic limits. There was some activity in Gola and business was reported for April at Rs. 8/15 to Rs. 9 and July at Rs. 8/14/6 to Rs. 8/15. Cawnpore market was in the meantime reported quiet for ready and steady for Gola. General opinion amongst dealers was that present prices will be maintained as long as there is no change in Syndicate prices. Arrivals during the week were only 800 tons and stocks are estimated at 8200 tons. Tendency was uncertain.
FOREIGN MARKET
On the New York Terminal market, there was an all-round decline of 2 points. Java market was reported steady. According to reports from Java, buyers from Kathiawar, Cutch Ports, Colombo and P. Gulf were showing more keenness and all available space was booked. Values improved owing to scarcity of freight and withdrawal of March steamer fully booked with 7500 tons (Chiefly for Cutch and Kathiawar) has created a tight freight situation.
CALCUTTA AND KARACHI
There was no interest in Java sugar in Calcutta and the quotation is nominal. In Karachi business in Java sugar was restricted to Bond or ready delivery for transhipment sales only. As regards Indian sugar, Calcutta market was reported dull owing to poor demand from consuming centres and pressure of sales by weak holders.
Stock position per 1st February 1941 in Java:—

Stocks on 1-2-1941	827,480 tons.
Stocks on 1-2-1940	377,231 tons.
Stocks on 1-2-1939	45,126 tons.

GENERAL
Local market for Java sugar is likely to remain unchanged. As regards forward positions, situation is very uncertain as the shipping problem in Java is becoming increasingly dominant factor which will undoubtedly influence export possibilities from Java to Indian Ports.

New Hindi Daily For Patna

PATNA, March 28.
The first issue of the "Rashtra Vani" a nationalist Hindi daily from Patna under the editorship of Mr. Devavrata Shastri, Secretary of the Bihar Provincial Congress Committee, appeared this morning.
The inauguration of the paper was performed by Dr. Rajendra Prasad last evening.—A. P.

MILLS QUOTE HIGHER PRICES FOR YARN
Operators Await Developments

Bombay, March 26
During the earlier part of the week prices advanced in almost all kinds of yarns owing to sharp rise in prices of raw cotton but at the close prices have eased down owing to weakness of raw cotton. In case of Indian yarn prices were firmer during the earlier part of the week but the same are easier at the close. Local mills are firm in their idea of prices and have been quoting very high prices. Consequently no business was possible. As regards Export markets there have been regular enquiries but the prices offered have been much too low and no business of importance, has been possible. Furthermore irregularity of sailings and the difficulty of securing freight are increasing and these factors affect very unfavourably export business in yarns. During the week under review Rangoon market is reported to be quiet with no enquiry at the present level of prices. During the later part of the week prices of raw cotton have shown an easy trend of a reactionary nature and consequently speculative commitments have been reduced to a few transactions and operators consider it advisable to wait for the moment. The future tendency is at present uncertain.
ENGLISH YARNS
No business has been possible in this class of yarns owing to the war.
JAPANESE AND SHANGHAI YARNS
During the week business in Japanese and Shanghai yarns was not possible because spinners have been asking for prices which are much higher than local parities. There has been reported scarcity of raw material for all kinds of yarns in Japan and consequently production is very limited at present. Also due to huge buying from Dutch East Indies Japanese market is very firm with a tendency to go upwards still but in the local market owing to weak prices of raw cotton and absence of brisk demand from the consumers, prices have reacted and shown a decline trend at the close although further appreciable decline is not expected in view of very firm tone of the market in Japan.
ARTIFICIAL SILK YARNS
Japanese spinners have also been asking higher prices for art silk yarns as well as staple fibre yarns and there have been some good purchases by local art silk weaving mills in several well-known styles for their requirements during the earlier part of the week. But during the later part of the week some reaction seems to have set in the local market and secondhand holders have shown an anxiety to dispose off their holdings even at a lower level of prices which has caused some depression in prices of art silk yarns and staple fibre yarns. But in view of reported scarcity of raw materials and firmness of prices in Japan further decline does not seem to be possible. On revival of demand from consumers and up-country centres prices are likely to advance again. Fresh forward business with Japan is not at present possible because of local prices being lower than Japan parity. Future trend of the market is uncertain but hopeful.
INDIAN YARNS
During the earlier part of the week owing to strong tendency of raw cotton, prices of 20 1/2s on the Bombay Yarn Exchange Ltd., recorded a sharp rise and it went up as high as Rs. 241 for June but owing to reactionary trend of prices in raw cotton, prices of 20 1/2s count declined to Rs. 225 for April, Rs. 227 for June and Rs. 229 for August at the close. But in view of very high prices being demanded by Indian spinning mills further decline does not seem to be possible and it seems worth entering into commitments at the present level of prices. Other counts have been almost neglected at the moment. The future tendency of the market depends entirely upon the movements in prices of raw cotton.

CUT OR MUTILATED ONE RUPEE NOTES

NEW DELHI, March 27.
A press communique states:—In order to remove the inconvenience complained of in the present procedure for refunds of cut or mutilated one rupee notes, instructions are being issued to all Treasury officers and branches of the Imperial Bank to receive at full value all genuine one rupee notes with a slight mutilation which does not interfere with identification or suggest fraud E. G. notes of which clearly more than half is intact. Applications for the refund of cut, altered or obliterated notes, that is notes disfigured in such a manner as to render their identification doubtful must, however, continue to be made to the Reserve Bank of India according to the ordinary procedure
QUEEN VICTORIA RUPEES
Though Queen Victoria rupees cease to be legal tender after March 31, 1941, for six months thereafter, i.e. till September 30, 1941, they will be received freely at all Government treasuries whether in payments due to Government or otherwise and will be exchanged for currency legal tender currency at par value. In addition, they will be accepted in payment of dues at all Post Offices.
Arrangements have also been made for their being received at railway stations on the State-owned railways in payment of fares or freight.
After September 30, 1941, however, they will not be accepted except, until further notice at the offices of the Reserve Bank of India at Bombay and Calcutta.—A. P.

All-India Hindu League

NEW DELHI, March 28.
Rai Bahadur Kumar Guru Narain, General Secretary, All-India Hindu League, has arrived this morning.
The Working Committee of the league will begin its two-day session to-morrow at 5-30 p.m. under the presidentship of Mr. M. S. Aney.—A. P.

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Wherever she goes, she's the centre of attraction—and, let us admit it, most distinctly distinguished. But she's not by any means a Botticelli (or any other) beauty, and her features are never likely to be perpetuated on canvas by a Domergue or a Brockhurst. Where then lies the secret of her unmistakable charm? Let's be frank. Isn't it her constant *Freshness Appeal*—her continual air of composure and fragrant coolness no matter how hot and oppressive the weather? Isn't it her ability to remain daintily cool and calmly collected at all times and in all places? Coty Eau de Cologne (Cordon Rouge) is her secret. Wisdom tells her that even the most luxuriant bath won't guarantee Freshness Appeal all day long but wisdom adds that Coty Eau de Cologne *will*. She never neglects it. She's made it a duty—after the bath, throughout the day, everywhere. And that's how she's so *sure* of Freshness Appeal . . . and charm.

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TOMORROW MORNING!
AT 10 A.M.
JEANETTE MacDONALD
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"PUNARMILAN"
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Song-and-Dance
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Daily: 4, 7 & 10 p.m.
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Bombay & Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Chaitra Sud 2. 1997
Muslim: Safar 30, 1360
Parsi: Meher 26, 1310
Hightide: 00 47; 13-16
Lowtide: 6-46; 18-54
Sunrise: 6h. 56m.
Sunset: 6h. 52m.

Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

PETIGARA: KHAN BAHADUR KAVASJI JAMSHEDJI PETIGARA, C.I.E., O.B.E., I.S.O., J.P. (Retired Indian Police), father of Noshirwan Kavasji Petigara, died at Bombay on 28th March, 1941. Uthamna ceremony this evening at 4 p.m. (S.T.) at Bhabha's Bungalow.

DADAR GUJARATI MANDAL—An annual general meeting of the above Mandal will be held to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. in Dhuru Hall, Chhabildas Road, Dadar.

SCHOOL OF INDIAN MUSIC—The weekly concert of the school will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. at the School Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Rd., Bombay 4.

YOUNG MEN'S HINDU ASSOCN.—The annual general meeting will be held in the premises of the association to-day (Saturday) at 4-30 p.m. The annual dinner will also take place on the same day at 7-30 p.m.

BAND AT ESPLANADE BANDSTAND—The Band of St. Mary's High School will play a programme of music at the Esplanade Bandstand, Cooperage, Fort, to-day (Saturday) commencing from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. (S. T.).

KALA KENDRA—Dancing classes will be opened at 9 a.m. to-morrow (Sunday) at Radio Villa, Ghodbunder Rd., Santa Cruz. A photographic Exhibition is also arranged.

'F' WARD CONGRESS—The monthly meeting of the Managing Council of the 'F' Ward Distt. Congress Committee will be held to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 p.m. in the Committee's office.

DECCAN AMATEURS' CLUB, DADAR—A general meeting of the above Club will be held to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 p.m. (S.T.) at "Saraswati Dham," Gokhale Rd., Dadar.

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS—All the members of the B.N.G. are expected at the Congress House in full uniform at 7 a.m. (S. T.) to-morrow (Sunday) to attend the monthly flag salutation.

LECTURE ON KATHOPANISHAD—Swami Sambuddhananda of Shri Ramakrishna Ashram, Dadar, will conduct the weekly class to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. in Merzeban Mansion, 64, Portuguese Church St., Dadar. (B.B. and C.I. Rly.)

LECTURE ON VEDANTA PHILOSOPHY—Swami Sambuddhananda of the Ramakrishna Mission Khar, will deliver a public lecture on "Vedanta Philosophy" (the three schools), at Batliboi's Accountancy Institute, Prescott Road, Fort, to-day (Saturday) at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.)

BOMBAY NORTH & C. C. TEACHERS' ASSOCN.—The third social gathering of the Bombay North and Suburban Secondary Teachers' Association will be held to-day (Saturday) between 3 and 9 p.m. (S.T.) at Dr. A. da Silva High School, Dadar. Principal N. M. Shah is the Guest of Honour.

PUBLIC KIRTANS—Shri Sant Nana Maharaj Shri Gondekar, the Founder of Vidyashram at Vithalnagar, District Poona, began Kirtans on Friday in Mr. Keer's Datta Mandir, Lady Hardinge Rd., Mahim. This series will last till 6th of April and will be delivered daily between 9 and 11 p.m.

RESERVE BANK EMPLOYEES' ASSOCN.—An extraordinary general meeting of the association will be held to-day (Saturday) at 4-45 p.m. (S.T.) at Bank's counter 'A' of the Issue Department of the Bank, to demand dearness allowance, increase in the scales of pay of the 'D' class staff, etc.

TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION, KANDIVLI—Sports meet of short-term course students will take place to-day (Saturday) at 3-30 p.m. on the oval of T.I.P.E. under the presidentship of Mr. Syed Nurullah, Asstt. Director of Public Instruction, Poona.

POTTERY DEMONSTRATION—The Bombay Government has decided to set up a pottery demonstration centre near Bassein, Thana District, in order to train village potters in the art of manufacturing clay-toys and the like: A ceramic chemist and an assistant will be employed for the work writes the Director of Information, Bombay.

MUSLIM WOMEN'S MEETING—Under the auspices of the Ladies' Propaganda Committee a public meeting of the Muslim women of Bombay will be held to-day (Saturday) at 3 p.m. (S.T.) at Esmailia Co-operative Bank Building, Dongri, when the aims and objects of the Conference will be discussed and importance of women attending the same will be explained.

PRARTHANA SAMAJ—In connection with the 74th anniversary of the Bombay Prarthana Samaj Mrs. Rukmabai Chandavarkar will perform the "Hari Kirtan" to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 p.m. to-morrow (Sunday) at 7-30 a.m. Mr. P. N. Chavan will conduct the Divine Service and in the evening at 5-30 p.m. Prof. Upendra Nath Bail will conduct the Divine Service in the Prarthana Mandir, Girgaum.

PRABHAT FERI & KUMAR DAY IN 'C' WARD—A meeting of the workers of Bhuleshwar ('C' Ward) Distt. Congress Committee was held in Committee's office on Tuesday last and it was decided to establish in different parts of the Ward the Sandhya Feri Mandal and Kumar Dal. Besides this those workers who are ready to work daily one hour have begun their work including 'Khadar Feri', spinning, teaching of spinning etc. Those wishing to join Kumar Dal or Sandhya Feri Mandal should enrol their names at Committee's office between 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

HINDU-MUSLIM ENGLISH AND HINDI NIGHT SCHOOL, WORLI—A meeting was held under the auspices of the above school at Raote House under the presidentship of Mr. Madhusudan Raote to elect a Managing Committee for the better working of the said school. Following are the members of the Managing Committee:—President: Mr. Madhusudan D. Raote. Vice-President: Mr S. A. Zohad, Chawl Superintendent, Worli D. D. Chawls. Treasurer: Mr. Deshpande. Jt. Hon. Secretaries: Drs. P. H. Salaye and J. M. Palkar. Members: Dr. G. M. Bhonsle. Messrs. U. Rangrao, Sheikh Esmail, B. F. Sawaye, B. P. Sawant, R. G. Kuchekar, Mr Waiganker, G. B. Chawan, G. M. Bhatt, B Varadkar and M. G. More.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Swanee River" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"The Invisible Woman" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Santa Fe Trail" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Convoy" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Son of Monte Cristo" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Parsesi" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Radhika" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
ROXY—"Naya Sansar" Daily at 3-30, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Ghar Jawai" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
MINERVA—"Dhoop-Chhaon" Daily time as usual.
KRISHNA—"Samajna Vanke" Daily at 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Prabhat" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Raj Nartaki" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Padosi" Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p. m.
EDWARD—"Dnyaneshwar" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Punarmilan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee at 1-30 p.m.
CHITRA—"Nartaki" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee at 1-15 p.m.

SOCIAL WORKERS' SOCIETY—The sixth annual general meeting of the Social Workers' Society will be held to-day (Saturday) at 4-45 p. m. (S. T.) at the Baha'i Hall, Krishna Building Bori Bunder. The meeting will be followed by a social gathering of members at 6 p.m. at the same place.

DR. SIR J. J. MODI'S DEATH ANNIVERSARY—Under the joint auspices of the Rahnuma-i-Mazdaznan Sabha and the Gatha Society the 8th death anniversary of the late Dr. Sir J. J. Mody will be observed to-day (Saturday) at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute's Dr. Sir J. J. Mody Memorial Hall (Apollo Street, Museum East) at 5 p.m. Jashan ceremony will be performed and at 6 p.m. lecture will be delivered by Mr. Behramgore T. Anklesaria and Dastur Framroze A. Bode and others on the "Life and Work of the late Sir J. J. Mody."

INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL CONFERENCE—Under the joint auspices of Youth Lodge, Bombay Theosophical Federation, Samaj Samata Sangh and the Blavatsky Lodge, an International Cultural Conference will be held on the 29th and 30th March at the Blavatsky Lodge under the presidentship of Mr. A.A.A. Fyzee, Principal of the Government Law College. The following persons will speak:—Prof. Cyrano Huguenin of Switzerland, Prof. A. M. Moulvi of Ismail College, Mr. Vilem Hass of Czechoslovakia, Mr. A. E. Sheet of Palestine. Prof. Claud Batley of J. J. School of Arts, Madan Menaka, dancer of international fame. Besides the speeches there will be music and dance recitals by well-known artists.

Production Of Armaments

NEED OF MACHINE TOOLS

"It can be said that this war is an engineers' war, and in the long run the side with the greatest number of machine tools for the production of armaments will be victorious," said Mr. C. W. Clarke, Industrial Planning Officer (Bombay Area) in the course of his lecture on "Machine Tool Acceptance Tests" at a meeting of the Safety First Association of India, held on Friday at "Electric House," Fort, Bombay.

The speaker said that during the last 16 months he has had several opportunities of surveying and assessing the industrial capacity of Western India and certain of the outstanding points that he observed were:—(i) No firm in Western India was capable of producing machine tools suitable for precision work, or to recognised acceptance tests, (ii) no machine-tool-builder in Western India was aware (in February 1940) of any recognised acceptance tests, nor aware of the published works of Dr. G. Schlesinger, who is probably the world's greatest authority on the subject; (iii) the machine tools manufactured in India were of light construction and unsuitable for taking heavy cuts, such as required in the quantity production of shells.

Special reference was made to the machine tool reconditioning section of the Parel workshops of the G.I.P. Railway and attention was drawn to the Machine Tool Acceptance Tests inaugurated by the G.I.P. Railway some seven or eight years ago. Copies of test charts based on the G.I.P. Standards are now available from the Safety Bookshop, Electric House, Bombay, at annas 4 per chart. These charts were available as a war measure for any firms engaged on the production of munitions.

AROUND THE COURTS

BOMBAY Friday.

SUICIDAL DEATH

A verdict of suicidal death was recorded by the Bombay Coroner at the inquest to-day on Bhimbai Sonoo (35), who threw herself on March 26, from the second floor of the G. T. Hospital, where she was a patient.

ARRESTS FOR ALLEGED THEFTS

Three men and a boy, who, the police believe, constitute a gang partly responsible for many of the thefts committed in the City Post Offices and banks, were taken into custody on Thursday evening.

The arrests followed a daring attempt alleged to have been made by the boy to escape with an insured packet containing Rs. 801 which he had grabbed from the hands of a peon of the Associated Cement Company in Hamam Street Post Office yesterday.

The arrested men were placed to-day before the Presidency Magistrate, Third Court who directed them to be remanded to custody.

KNOCKED DOWN BY RUNNING TRAIN

While crossing the railway lines near the Reay Road station, Sobatkhan Sardarkhan (26), a worker in the General Motors, was run over by a suburban train. He was removed to the J. J. Hospital where he died shortly after admission.

A verdict of accidental death was recorded by the Bombay City Coroner at the inquest to-day.

A verdict of death caused by strychnine poisoning self-administered was recorded by the Bombay City Coroner at the inquest to-day on Anandrau Mudaliar (35), who was found lying dead in his room at Mukan Road, on March 10.

Newly Wed

Shrimati Tarabai to Mr. Inamdar. The bride is a well-known Congress worker and worked as a volunteer during the Faizpur and Ramgarh sessions of Congress. Mr. Inamdar courted jail in the last C. D. movement and has been selected to offer Satyagraha this time from Surat.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

Juhu has become a popular pleasure resort and is looked forward to for holidays during the summer season.

My suggestion on several occasions about shading the road from Ghodbunder Road to the Creek has fallen on deaf ears with the result that the large number of bathers who have already started their morning dip have to get roasted before they reach their residences. The Municipality might take this suggestion at least now. The other important problem is that of the vendors who are allowed to vend their goods along the entire foreshore.

TO-DAY'S SATYAGRAHIS

Hutheesing, Mitha And Wandrekar

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. G. P. Hutheesing, Joint Honorary Secretary of the National Planning Committee, Mr. D. N Wandrekar, member of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, Mr. Abdul Rahman Mitha, a well-known Congress worker of Bombay and Mr. Tukaram Sonu Ghorpade, member of the Byculla Ward Congress Committee sent intimation to the Commissioner of Police to-day of their intention to offer Satyagraha in the city on Saturday evening.

Mr. Huthees ng proposes to offer Satyagraha at Vithalbhai Patel Street, near the Congress House at 6 p. m. Mr. Wandrekar proposes to offer Satyagraha opposite the B. D. D. Chawls, DeLisle Road at 5-30 p. m. Mr. Ghorpade intends shouting anti-war slogans near the "E" Ward Congress Committee, DeLisle Road, at 6-30 p. m. Mr. Mitha proposes to offer Satyagraha at the junction of Zakaria Masjid Street and Mohomedali Road at 6 p. m.

In the Bombay Suburban District, the selection of the next batch of Satyagrahis will be made in a day or two.

Send-Off To Mr. Wandrekar

A public meeting to give a send off to Sjt. D. N. Wandrekar, M.L.A., was held on Friday evening under the auspices of the "G" (Dadar) Ward District Congress Committee at DeLisle Road Maidan. Dr. T. R. Naravane presided.

"Our duty", is to follow the dictates and path laid down by the Congress and Mahatma Gandhi", said Dr. Narvane. "The first and foremost thing is to follow up constructive programme."

Mr. Wandrekar while thanking the President and other speakers advised to strictly follow non-violent methods preached by Mahatma Gandhi. He was then garlanded.

Among those who spoke were Mr. Gokulbhai Bhatt, Mr. Dongre and others.

CALCUTTA, March 27.

It is understood that the scheme of compulsory life insurance for Government servants is almost in a mature state.

The Finance Department of the Government of Bengal is now collecting all the data required for enforcement of the scheme.—United Press.

Special Rebates For Air Travel For Families And Students

A special rebate of 10 per cent has just been introduced by British Airways on the route between Cairo and Sydney for family parties.

A family is defined as husband and wife, unmarried children under 21, and governess, nurse, or other servant; and the rebate is given where not less than three full fares are paid, though members of the family party need not travel together.

From April 1st, a special rate will also be introduced for school children between the ages of 12 and 19 on the Cairo-Singapore-Sydney route. This is by agreement with the K.L.M. and the rate is one and a half fares for a return ticket. This scholar's rebate is specially intended for boys and girls going to or from school.

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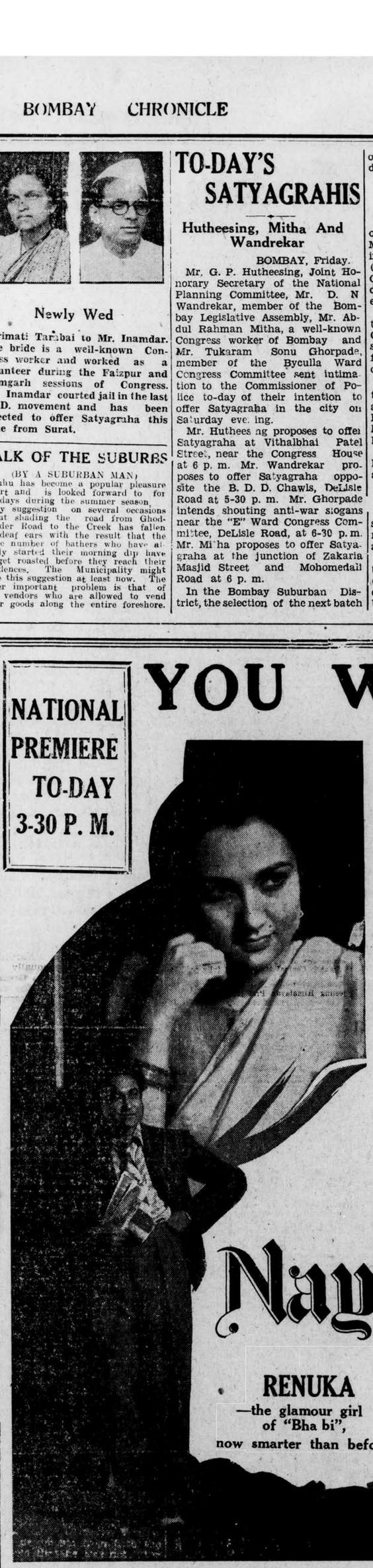

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AGRICULTURAL DEBT RELIEF

Among all the major provinces of India, Bombay has the unique distinction of being the only one where no legislation is still in operation for the relief of agricultural debtors, who were overwhelmed by the economic depression. In some of the other provinces, legislation for the control of money-lending operations has long since been in operation. In this respect, too, Bombay lags much behind most provinces, though it is now over ten years since the Bombay Provincial Banking Inquiry Committee recommended the enactment of legislation for the control of money-lending. A Bill for the control of money-lending was one of the first measures introduced in the provincial legislature by the Congress Ministry, but, unfortunately, this measure was not placed on the statute-book before the Ministry resigned. Two important pieces of agrarian legislation were, however, enacted by the Ministry, the first being the Bombay Small-Holders' Act which was intended to postpone execution proceedings against the landed property of small-holders pending the enactment of legislation for the relief of agricultural indebtedness. The latter piece of legislation after full discussion and prolonged debates was passed through all its stages in both the Houses of the Provincial Legislature shortly before the Ministry resigned. Though the fundamental principle remained unaltered before the Bill was placed on the statute-book, all sections of the community had ample opportunity of expressing their views and influencing its consideration in the legislature. In the light of these, it underwent certain radical changes during the process of adoption.

Irrelevant

It took the Governor-General-in-Council nearly six months to accord his consent to the legislation which fact itself indicates that it must have been subjected to a searching analysis by the legal advisers of the Government of India. Further, a long delay again occurred in the promulgation of rules under the Act and very recently the Government of Bombay announced that the period for the consideration of objections regarding the draft rules had been extended till 31st March. Although objections are—and can at this stage be—invited only to the draft rules as published by Government, taking advantage of the lull in public agitation on the subject of relief of agricultural indebtedness, a local Anglo-Indian contemporary seems to suggest that persons likely to be affected may submit to Government their objections and comments on the Act itself. It is to be hoped that the Government of Bombay will treat as utterly irrelevant any such comments or objections and will consider only those suggestions that relate to the draft rules framed by them for the purpose of carrying out the objects of the legislation, as provided under the rule-making powers.

Incomprehensible Attitude

Equally incomprehensible is the attitude of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, the Committee of which suggests the withdrawal of the Act. The Committee may have authority to put forward the views of the money-lending classes. The authority, however, on which the Committee of the Chamber makes the assertion that the measure is not beneficial to the agriculturists may well be questioned. Legislation for the relief of agricultural debtors was overdue in the Province of Bombay and it is to the credit of the Ministry that though it was somewhat late in the field the scope of the legislation it enacted was much more comprehensive than in corresponding legislation in other provinces. If the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber and others opposed to the legislative enactment, wish to examine the position from an unbiased point of view, they will find ample material in a survey of Provincial Debt Legislation published by the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry. Not only is the need for protective legislation recognized in the volume published by the Federation Research Department, but there is also recognition of the fact that the legislation in Bombay by providing for the control of credit in future and for the safeguarding of the interests of the approved creditor, represents a constructive attempt at developing a sounder credit machinery. The main line of criticism that can be levelled against legislation for the relief and protection of agricultural debtors may, as is pointed out in the Publication referred to, be that such legislative measures avail little in the absence (1) of a sound system of rural finance as an integral part of a well-knit and organized banking structure in a community or (2) of a comprehensive and unified policy of agricultural reform for the regeneration of the agricultural industry. Instead of seeking to thwart the intentions of the provincial legislature by pressing for the repeal of the Bombay Agricultural Debtors' Relief Act, bodies like the Indian Merchants' Chamber should press these fundamental considerations of economic policy on the attention of the Government of Bombay. The Congress Ministry while in office had, indeed, drawn up plans for the creation of a sound credit machinery in rural areas and for inaugurating a broad-based programme of rural development. Instead of calling for action that will deny the relief that is due to the agricultural debtor, what those who recognize the limitations of debt relief legislation should do is to agitate for vigorous policy of rural development, including the creation of a well-organized rural credit machinery as well.

Hitler's Dilemma

It is, of course, clear that the people of Yugo-Slavia have placed Herr Hitler—as also his partner Signor Mussolini—in the most awkward position possible. He wanted to present M. Matsouka with an important victory. That victory has turned over-night into a stupendous defeat. And it has very suddenly upset all his carefully considered plans. The plight of Signor Mussolini which needed urgent relief in Albania has become more dangerous. They are desperately calling to be rescued. Moreover, it is a great blow to Nazi prestige. What is he going to do? He cannot accept the situation. On the other hand, the only method of reversing the present position is military aggression. But he is up against a people which has spontaneously stood up as one man to vindicate not only the independence and integrity but also the honour of its country. Military aggression will mean fighting against a now fully mobilised army—this mobilisation is a great service that the last regime did the country—of a million men, who although ill-equipped are admittedly brave and will fight on their own ground which, moreover, lends itself peculiarly to defensive warfare against mechanised forces. And he had not prepared for it. Herr Hitler for once finds himself in an unenviable position.

There are difficulties facing the Yugo-Slavs, too. The present Prime Minister, General Simovitch, has practically summed up his policy in the sentence "Let us look after our own interests—independent and respected". And he has quite rightly appealed to his people not to make difficulties "for relations with our neighbours with whom we desire to remain in future on the same terms of peace and friendship as in the past." He is wise in trying, so far as it lies with Yugo-Slavia, to restore in a friendly manner the "status quo" existing before the Ministers now in custody signed the Pact, the *status quo*, that is, which meant neutrality in war and goodwill towards *all* the neighbours of Yugo-Slavia. The Germans are reported to have asked the present Government to define its position *vis-a-vis* the Pact. General Simovitch will have to repudiate it directly or to reduce it indirectly but effectively to a dead-letter. The Pact has, of course, got to go, otherwise why this revolution at all? But the reversion to the *status quo* will be a challenge to Germany. The Yugo-Slavs are in for trouble and grave trouble. They are assured support by Britain and America. But the question is: What about Russia? The only Yugo-Slav diplomat abroad who resigned as a protest against the Vienna surrender was the Yugo-Slav representative in Moscow—incidentally he is now a Minister in the new Cabinet. Can his resignation be interpreted as implying Russia's sympathy for the anti-Axis policy?

Physical Training In India

By: 'ATHLETICUS'

It is not without a certain amount of amusement and a profound sense of irony that one follows the discussions carried on on the subject of physical training for the youth of this country that would appear to lack in any basis of realistic understanding of the actual situation in which we find ourselves to-day.

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What is remarkable in these discussions is that, while the theories and principles of the science of athletics remain operative under all conditions more or less everywhere and could be utilized in organizing physical training at various stages, the immediate aims of this training and the bearing it must have had on the collective national problem have been completely ignored. In other words, the why in physical training is much more important than the how—the latter purely a problem of organization provided of course the means of solving it under the existing conditions are forthcoming.

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When one says why, one does not mean the claptrap of the distinctly quackish physical-training and mostly self-styled 'experts' and mono-maniacs who appear to be incapable of understanding the ordinary principles of physical training as a science: nor the inspired dreams of the Ersatz utopists setting up a propaganda racket but the definite aim or aims of the system of physical training that we should introduce and develop on an elaborate national scale.

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One means, indeed, the ordinary needs of existence, the social, almost biologic, necessity, the will-to-existence, that has nothing to do with the aestheticism of the Hellenic age or the utilitarianism of the age of Mr. H. G. Wells of well-equipped libraries and garden cities (with suitable provision for neo-Andersonian shelters). By the why of physical training one means simply and primarily the right to exist in a world of anarchy and the capacity to translate that right into reality in the world of here and now. One may have nothing against the Hellenic ideals of physical training and More Parks and Playing-grounds dope (if one may relapse into colloquialism)—but in the world in which we are suffered to live it is first of all necessary to exist to be able to beat the classic Greeks at their game or to be engaged in the multiplying municipal parks in the ratio of the factory chimneys where the parky and gymnasium-equipped budding proletariat could be nurtured. It boils down simply to the everyday popular Darwinism or Neo-Darwinism.

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I have carefully read the outbursts of all our leading physical-training-mongers and pondered deeply over the abracadabra of their individual manias: and not one, so far as my knowledge goes, has pointed out that physical training could have a distinct and definite aim or aims in terms of our national existence in the world in which we find ourselves living. No one evidently has cared to think of War and Peace Aims of Physical Training on the analogy of those of Lord Halifax. And they are as essential for physical training as the double-edged aims are essential for keeping the tail up of those who are fighting for their existence, not to mention Freedom and Democracy.

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To begin with the various 'systems' offered are mostly fraudulent because any sane person who knows anything about the subject of physical training knows that it is a science based on the knowledge of human physiology, its functioning under different conditions in health and disease and the possibilities it offers for adaptation under training with a view to achieve certain definite results in the development, hardening, strengthening, disciplining (with special reference to nervous organization) of the human body. It is a subject left in civilised countries to the administrative control of medical men and women and not advocates and sadhus and miscellaneous species of politicians who develop a flair for physical culture. It calls for specialist knowledge as well as common sense and it is necessary that the politicians should be kept out of the field that is mainly the scientific workers!

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I may state that knowledge and experience exist in the field of physical training that we can and must fully exploit and there is no scope for either local or national patriotism in that field. We have not to make a beginning in the methodology of physical training and even the tradition of athletics that survives in our "akhadas" furnishes the most useful basis for organization.

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For a nation physical training is essential for national existence. And this has been true as much of the ancient Greeks as the modern Marathas both of whom devised a system of training that was essentially "utilitarian." That is why discus-throwing survives classic times and wrestling remains the most beautiful and appealing medium of athletic training. And discus-throwing furnishes adequate training for grenade throwing in modern fighting and wrestling develops the highest degree in the agility, discipline, judgment and control that are required in hand-to-hand fighting in the battle-field.

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Yes, physical training marks a stage in training that must have a bearing on the realities of national existence—a national existence that demands discipline, strength and cohesion of a highly trained army. Lest the non-violencers raised their overworked eye-brows, permit me to explain that this training has nothing to do with militarism as it is usually understood—and it is always badly understood when understood at all. In a world where armed and other forms of aggression, certainly deplorably, have become, to use the familiar phrase, 'an instrument of policy' we must be in a position to stand up to the fellows who would want to force decisions through armed force. Every democratic nation is forced to do it and if we are to live as a free and democratic nation, we must also face realities and not try to seek an escapist exit in catch-phrases of non-violence and pacifism.

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The methods employed in modern democratic countries at the present moment (and by present moment I mean decades if not centuries) must be followed by us if we desired to exist in a community of civilized nations. It is a profound mistake to imagine that even military training instils brutalism in those who are trained or that those who give or undergo that training are not trained to preserve the finest instincts they may possess.

I assert on the contrary—and there is empirical evidence to support my statement which is almost truism—that the military training that one can envisage in a democratic country welds various elements in the national population into a nation. If in our country brother tries to get at the throat of brother (that is what communalism means because, while the communalists have borrowed from the theorizing of Herr Hitler and Herr Doktor Rosenberg, they ignore the fact that there is no racial, that is to say, ethnologic conflict in India comparable to that, say, in Central Europe) they can be 'trained' to realize that they have to cultivate their common heritage on the only acceptable basis of national existence in a peaceful and harmonious manner. Conscription can furnish this basis as is done all over the world—living together, working together, sharing the common life in training and activity as well as dangers, to taste the joys of camaraderie that your unity talkers cannot create in the artificial paradises of utopias.

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And physical training has to be employed as a switch-over in the working out of the ideal of national being—realistically. We must, therefore, try to bring coordination of efforts that are today making for waste of human energy and the energy of the mind and much of our youth. I find one of the official 'experts' of physical training monkeying with Behaviourism—you cannot evidently get the people to swallow the dope unless you use the magic phrases of applied psychology. But this fellow ought to know that human pugnacity can be sublimated instead of being allowed a free run in homicidal acts and that military training itself achieves this desirable result.

Karaka Comes Of Age

By N. G. JOG

No. I am not being conceited nor patronising either. In the first place one cannot be a free-lance writer for ten years without one's conceit being knocked off one's cranium by the ever-mounting pile of rejection slips with the editor's crocodile regrets thrown in gratis.

Secondly, D. F. Karaka has already established his reputation as an author too firmly to need anybody's patronising now. He arrived, as the phrase goes, long ago (when he was the President of the Oxford Union. You know!) and has gone from success to success in his successive essays in authorship. The press applauded him and his fans lapped him. And as a matter of fact he himself has been doing a lot of patronising since.

What do I mean then by saying that Karaka has come of age with his "JUST FLESH". (Thacker, Rs. 4/12)? Simply this that in his latest book and first novel, he has revealed himself as something different, something sincere. He shows signs of maturity. He is not merely writing in a new medium: there is a subtle transformation in the writer himself. It indicates that Karaka has come of literary age. He has found his metier, his genre.

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Let me say straightway that I hardly liked any of Karaka's previous books (——) least of all his "I Go West". It was hailed as brilliant. I found it garish. To my mind it was a book written by an adolescent for adolescents. And there can be adolescence for an age as well as for a man. I wondered whether, like Peter Pan, Karaka would ever grow out of that stage.

The Victorians liked to have the odour of Sanctity around them. The post-World War I Georgians went to the other extreme for the aroma of Sin. The Victorians were modest to the point of pruriency. The Georgians became outspoken to the extent of being Exhibitionists. Buchmanism as a pseudo-religious cult was only the culmination of the prevailing rage of autopsycho-analysis.

You had to confess to all the kinks and complexes, the repressions and inhibitions which you could detect or invent in yourself. You had to drag all the skeletons out of the cupboard. You had to wash your family linen in the market place. Didn't you violently fall in love with your father's great-aunt in your seventh year? Well, well, that would make a capital starting point for your auto-biography: and most of the books written in the last two decades have been auto-biographical in their tone if not in their content.

Sophistication became the rage of the age. Cynicism. Sex. Sin. Scandal. Surrealism. Glamour girls and gaga boys. Sugar daddies. The much-maligned Victorians, too, were past masters in such stuff. Only they were honest about it and called it "Wine, Woman and Song." And I am sure that the ancient Greeks also must have had a word for it.

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It was the fag-end of the Freudian regime when Karaka went West. He was quick, however, not only to assimilate the sophistication in his own person (and, in fact, to teach them a trick or two out of his own native wisdom), but to perceive its possibilities for the East.

But, unfortunately for Karaka, the new cult had by then already reached its *fin de siecle;* it was no longer considered smart to call yourself smart. Sin was no longer the current virtue. Sex was relegated to where it belonged and not carried about on one's sleeves.

The devil-may-care abandon of post-1914-18-war years gave place to a God-fearing introspection of the pre—1939-?—war period. The shadows of another catastrophe were already lengthening over the world and were sending

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Frankly Speaking

Important Victory

General Wavell has won another splendid victory in the capture on Thursday of Keren, the great Italian stronghold in Eritrea. From Agency reports it appears that the bulk of the defending garrison has escaped towards Asmara. It is, however, a beaten army in retreat and must inevitably lose a proportionately much greater amount of stores and equipment of vital value to the Italians because they cannot receive further supplies. Let us, therefore, hope that although the Keren army has escaped, the conquest of Asmara, Massawa and, indeed, of the whole of Eritrea will not now present any serious problem. A simultaneous, though not equally important, achievement is the occupation of Harar. The Italians will probably offer resistance at Dire Dawa and certainly at the Awash river in defence of Addis Ababa. But the latter, too, ought not to be a difficult problem with so many columns bearing down upon it from almost all directions. The way has been opened finally to clean up Italian East Africa. And with the decisive command of the air which the British enjoy it should not be long before General Wavell is fully freed to fight "another enemy."

Curious Outburst

General Autonescu, the nominal dictator of Germany's Rumania, has indulged in a rather surprising outburst. Referring, presumably, to the German award of Transylvania to Hungary, the General declared that he would never accept the situation as definite and that "never will there be peace in this corner of Europe as long as the Rumanian people do not have their wrongs righted or right them themselves." Such an outburst would, more or less, be a credit to any patriot. But this "patriot"—and Rumanian General—was arguing only the other day in favour of one of the most contemptible of humiliating degradations; he was, that is to say, advocating the advantages to Rumania of replacing the entire Rumanian army with German forces! What, therefore, is the reason for this apparent attack of patriotism on the part of a man who confessedly prefers slavery?

The Reason Why

We believe it was inspired by the Nazis themselves with the object of putting pressure upon Hungary, which, perhaps, was exhibiting some recalcitrance in the matter, for instance, of demobilising the whole of the Hungarian army. The Nazis perhaps thought that with the surrender of Yugo-Slavia, the 'raison-d'etre' of the army had, so far a the Nazi were concerned, ceased. They, therefore, wanted it, like the army of the compliant General Autonescu, to lay down the sword and take to the plough, as it were, for the needs of the Germans. It might, further, have been that they wanted to silence Hungary in respect of her claims upon an Axised Yugo-Slavia. But the Yugo-Slavs have upset the whole Nazi plan—at any rate for the time being—in the Balkans and, therefore, also in regard to Hungary. We are consequently not likely to hear more of General Autonescu's patriotic wrath.

Grievances First

In his speech on the Finance Bill in the Council of State Pandit Hridaynath Kunzru told Government that the major responsibility for the constitutional deadlock lay at the door of the Government and as long as that deadlock continued, they would also continue to register their protest by the only constitutional method, namely, by throwing out, or voting against, the Finance Bill. It is true that the Bill has passed its third reading in the House without a division but that is due to the majority of nominated members, who are, in no sense, the representatives of the people. Elected members are now almost unanimous in their adhesion to the principle of "grievances before supplies", first emphasized by the Congress. If Government continue to be heedless towards grievances and do not end the present deadlock, it will not be long before all parties will follow the example of the Congress in espousing the principle of "no taxation without effective representation". Already more parties than one have refused to give their full support to Government until the latter are prepared to transfer substantial power to the people.

It All Depends

While opposing the Finance Bill as a matter of principle Panditt Kunzru also gave a friendly warning to Government that the only way to end the deadlock was to adopt, at least, the resolution of the Bombay Conference in its entirety. Referring to the objection urged by certain friends of Government that the adoption of the resolution by Government might not really end the deadlock in the absence of support from the Congress and the League, Pandit Kunzru said he did not believe that any major political party in the country would be so unwise as to forget its duty to the country by making the proposed constitutional changes unworkable or that it would go to the electorates with an uncompromising opposition to the Indianised Executive Council. What Congress will do depends upon the measure of transfer of power to the people. If Government show a disposition to accept the Poona offer, it can yet be revived in spite of its having lapsed. If, however, they go only so far as adopting the Bombay Conference resolution, Congress, as suggested by Pundit Kunzru, will at least refrain from making the constitutional changes unworkable. Everything, naturally, depends upon Government's attitude. Asked in Parliament whether he would consider the release of Congress prisoners, Mr. Amery only refrained from making a reply. If his silence means a refusal to consider the question, the present deadlock will, of course, continue. If he is seriously reconsidering the whole question, Congress will await his decision; but, obviously a mere release of prisoners will not carry things perceptibly near a settlement.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

ATHENS, March 28.

The Greeks have scored a "radio war" victory on the Albanian front.

After Yugoslavia's adhesion to the Axis-Japan Pact, Italian loud-speakers were busy telling the Greeks that Rumanians, Bulgarians and Germans were about to unite and attack them.

This continued until noon yesterday when the Greek loud speakers put over a counter broadcast announcing the Yugoslav 'Coup d'Etat'. Afterwards the Italian loud speakers remained silent.—Reuter.

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Asked whether Mr. Amery would consider the release of Indian leaders who are imprisoned, the Secretary of State for India, says a Commons report, gave no reply.

He must, of course, have been mentally going over the points of his next speech, in its own language, to some European nation whose freedom and liberty have been taken away, or threatened, by the Nazis.

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Mr. Amery asserts in the House of Commons that "Indians have proceeded recently to the United States on business, but not for the purpose of putting forward the Government case"

Exactly, the business being Sir Firoz Khan Noon's oft-proclaimed idea of the Indian case.

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The Yugoslavs are reported to have demonstrated before the Soviet Legation in Belgrade shouting (1) "Long live Russia", (2) "Long live Britain" and (3) "Down with Hitler and Mussolini."

Since thereby these people inflicted a three-fold embarrassment upon the Soviet, the Kremlin ought to send a stiff note to the Simovitch Government.

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Rome, like Berlin, was silent over the developments in Yugo-Slavia.

We are, however, sure that it will issue a thrilling communique about the glorious and legendary epic of Keren which also took place on the same day.

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Herr Hitler is reported to have had a two and a half hour's talk with Mr. Matsuoka.

Did Italy and Yugo-Slavia take such a long time to be explained away?

Any way, we hope they did and that M. Matsuoka again feels uplifted, through the dr—tonic influence of the Fuhrer.

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Prince Paul has gone to Athens at his own request.

We hope he will be able to brood in peace over how the plans of mice and men have been upset by a stripling of less than 18 years.

NAZI PLANS GO AWRY!

Strain On German Resources Increased

Great Delay In Hitler's Plans In Balkans

Hitler Now Faced With Difficult Choice; Can't Use Yugoslavia As Military Base

LONDON, March 28.

The revolt of the Jugoslav people and the armed forces under their young King against Nazi domination and their own Quislings will have a profound effect on the military situation, says Reuter's Military Commentator.

The Nazi forces cannot use Jugoslavia as a base for attacking Greece down the Varda valley and this passage is now denied them, unless they are prepared to fight for it.

THAT FIGHTING WILL BE SEVERE AND GERMAN CASUALTIES WILL BE HEAVY IF THEY ATTEMPT TO FORCE THEIR WAY SOUTHWARDS IN THE FACE OF JUGOSLAV OPPOSITION. THE MEN THEY WILL HAVE TO MEET AND DEFEAT ARE BRAVE AND THE COUNTRY IS MOST DIFFICULT, LENDING ITSELF EXTREMELY FAVOURABLY TO DEFENSIVE OPERATIONS.

The siuation which the Nazi General Staff now have to deal with is either to carry through an attack, on a very restricted front against Greece, down the Struma valley, with a subsidiary advance perhaps down the Mesta valley, or bring up considerably larger forces for a simultaneous attack on Jugoslavia as well.

This would put a considerably increased strain on German resources and, moreover, there is no certainty of success. The first result of the new situation in Jugoslavia will probably be to delay, for several weeks at least, any German move in the Balkans.

All-Greece Hails Belgrade Coup

A wave of enthusiasm and rejoicing swept Greece when the news of the Yugoslav revolution was known. The Athens radio followed its announcement of news by broadcasting the Yugoslav national anthem and patriotic songs.

Special editions of Greek newspapers were rushed into the streets. The general opinion here is that "the Yugoslav people have proved worthy of their brave and chivalrous tradition."

Demonstrations in support for Yugoslavia were general in Salonika. The local Serbian residents showed unrestrained joy and there were also scenes of fervent enthusiasm on the Albanian front. At points where Greeks and Yugoslavs are in contact, the soldiers of the two countries embraced each other and saluted their respective flags.

The exiled Presidents of the two Slav states Dr. Benes of Czechoslovakia and M. Rackiewelcz of Poland clapped hands in applause when Jugoslavia's revolt against the Axis was praised to-day at a Polish-Czech meeting at the Czechoslovak Institute in London.

Great Event

M. Stronski, the Polish Minister of Information, replying to a speech of welcome by the Czechoslovak Minister, Doctor Ripka, declared that the decision of the Jugoslav nation would stand out for ever as a great event in the history of the Slavs and the whole of Europe for resistance against Germany was a supreme task.

He added that the decision might result in great sacrifices and great sufferings for the Jugoslav people, "but in these sacrifices and sufferings lies the foundation of a better future. Long live Jugoslavia."

Most Cheering News

The Belgrade coup d'etat is the sole topic, in Washington, where it is described as the most cheering news since the British and Greeks' defeats of the Italians. It is thought here that this first major diplomatic defeat for Hitler will be of enormous importance elsewhere than in the Balkans

It is thought here, for instance that Hitler demanded the signature by Yugoslavia of the Axis Pact when he did in order to impress Mr. Matsuoka and induce Japan to enter the war.

Political circles here are of opinion that Russian support of Turkey, plus the Yugoslav revolt will with the fighting spirit of the Greek and British troops in the Balkans, present an array of strength in the Balkans formidable enough to make Hitler pause before launching a large-scale offensive. In addition the change in the Jugoslav situation will prove a fatal blow to the Italian forces in Albania.

Canada's Reaction

When the Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, announced the coup d'etat in Yugoslavia, there was another outburst and desk thumping on the announcement that the United Kingdom would probably recognise the new government, indicating that Canada was likely to do likewise.

Prince Paul Leaves For Athens

It is officially announced that Prince Paul left Belgrade for Athens with his family last night at his own request.

"Let us look after our own interests—independent and respected", says Gen. Simovitch, Yugoslavia's new Prime-Minister in a statement issued after the first meeting of his Cabinet.

Gen. Simovitch in the name of the Government appealed to all citizens as well as the authorities to help the Royal Government in the accomplishment of the first of its urgent tasks—the maintenance of order in the country and peace abroad.

The Prime-Minister urged all citizens to "renounce all demonstrations which may make difficult our relations with our neighbours with whom we desire to remain in future on the same terms of peace and friendship as in the past".—Reuter.

BIGGEST BLOW TO AXIS POWERS

ANKARA, March 28.

The presence in the new Jugoslavian Government of such men as the former Prime Minister, M. Yevtitch, and other keen propagandists of Balkan unity and solidarity, which is a popular cause in Turkey, is interpreted unofficially as indicating that in the sphere of foreign policy the Government will follow the line laid down by King Alexander. Observers do not take too seriously the semi-official declaration from Belgrade that the change of Government is not due to reasons of foreign policy, pointing out that it was in the sphere of foreign policy that the old Government did not represent the people.

It is felt that although the new Government may not be anti-German, it appears absolutely opposed to the Tripartite Pact and, therefore represents the biggest diplomatic blow yet suffered by the Axis powers.—Reuter.

RELEASED OR RE-ARRESTED?

Mystery Surrounds Former French Ministers

LONDON, March 28.

In contrast with the unconfirmed report sent earlier regarding the release of M. Daladier, and M. Reynaud, a Vichy message to the German News Agency states that six prominent politicians of the pre-Vichy regime have been re-arrested. They include, says the report, the former Finance Minister, M. Auriol and the former Minister of Colonies, M. Mandel.

The earlier report stated:—

An announcement is made by the Moscow radio quoting reports from Vichy that M. Daladier and M. Reynaud have been released from prison with a warning that if they resume their activities, they will return to gaol.

It may be recalled that M. Daladier was the Prime Minister and M. Reynaud, the Foreign Minister, when France declared war on Germany.

(N. B.—There is no confirmation of the report from any other source).—Reuter.

To Meet Hitler Again

War Against Britain, Theme Of Matsuoka's Talks!

BERLIN, March 28.

Mr. Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, is reported to be seeing Hitler again to-day. His visit to Berlin will end on Monday, when he will leave for Rome.

Mr. Matsuoka received the Italian Ambassador here to-day. They had a long and cordial conversation according to the Rome wireless.

"CURRENT QUESTIONS" DISCUSSED.

The meeting between Hitler and Matsuoka on Thursday lasted for two and a half hours. According to the Official German News Agency "all current questions were dealt with in an atmosphere of cordial friendship."

After the meeting a Wilhelmstrasse spokesman said. "The principle, of preventing an expansion of the war in accordance with the Tripartite Pact, was confirmed. This applied, he said, to the east as well as to the west. Anyone entering the war must be regarded as an enemy of the "Great Allied Powers."

Questioned by foreign journalists, the spokesman added. "It is difficult to separate diplomatic from military affairs. To-day's talk covered the scope of the whole war against Britain".

JAPAN'S DEMANDS ON INDO-CHINA?

CHUNGKING, March 28

Reports unconfirmed from any other source of fresh Japanese demands on Indo-China were prominently displayed in the official "Central Daily News" on Thursday, saying that Japan wants Indo-China to join the East-Asia "mutual prosperity bloc," the conclusion of a Japan Indo-China trade treaty under which Japanese goods will be accorded reduced import duty and "most favoured nation treatment," Japan to be allowed to station 2,000 troops and warships at Saigons Bay, forts in Camranh Bay to be leased to Japan for 15 years no restrictions to be placed on the number of Japanese troops stationed in areas north of Haiphong and Japan to be allowed to develop "waste land" in Indo-China.—Reuter.

"ARMISTICE TO BURY THE DEAD"

LONDON, March 28.

So serious were the casualties suffered by the Italians in the heavy attacks made on Greek positions since March 16 that on March 23 they asked the Greeks for an armistice to bury the dead. This was stated in authoritative quarters in London to-day, as it was added that the Italians appear to be renewing their attacks.

The smashing of two Italian infantry attacks launched in the Aoos River region was reported by the Athens radio on Thursday night.

Hundreds of Italian dead and wounded were left strewn on hillsides and in ravines before the Greek lines.

"RADIO WAR" VICTORY.

The Greeks have scored a "radio war" victory on the Albanian front.

After Yugoslavia's adhesion to the Axis-Japan Pact, Italian loudspeakers were busy telling the Greeks that Rumanians, Bulgarians and Germans were about to unite and attack them.

This continued till noon yesterday when the Greek loud speakers put over a counter broadcast announcing the Yugoslav 'Coup d'Etat'. Afterwards the Italian loud speakers remained silent.—Reuter.

After Keren

Italians Retreating Towards Asmara

Fall Of Dire Dawa Expected; Three-fourths Of Eritrea In British Hands

CAIRO, March 28.

In Eritrea, British forces are now pursuing the retreating Italians towards Asmara as a sequel to the capture of Keren, says a British communique.

The prisoners captured at Keren are not yet counted, the Communique adds, but in their precipitate retreat the Italians left large quantities of war material in British hands.

The situation in all sectors in Abyssinia is developing to British advantage, while from Libya no change is reported.

NEXT OBJECTIVE

Asmara, which is the next objective of the triumphant British forces, is believed to be full of white Italian refugees and the view was expressed that the Duke of Aosta must now consider what is to become of Italian non-combatants in Abyssinia.

Regarding the capture of Harar it was said that the fall of Dire Dawa, 25 miles away, could be expected. The R. A. F., it was stated, have bombed the railway from Dire Dawa to Addis Ababa so heavily that it is no longer of much use.

NOT A FEW CASUALTIES

It must be expected, it was stated, that British casualties at Keren will not be on the same slight scale as in Libya. In North Africa, a spearhead of British attack was formed of armoured vehicles. Moreover, the fighting has been very severe around Keren since March 11.—Reuter.

INDIAN TROOPS AT KEREN

Prominent Role In Capture Of Eritrean Stronghold

LONDON, March 28.

With the fall of the Italian stronghold of Keren, three quarters of Mussolini's oldest Colony is in British hands.

The British forces have found this mountain fortress one of the toughest obstacles in the whole campaign against Italy's East African Empire.

A ridge of solid rock, thousands of feet high, confronted them—a ridge whose sheer-faced precipices offered magnificent defensive positions and was crowned by a series of arrow head peaks.

It is against this formidably fashioned buttress of rock that the Empire forces have struck one of their most resounding blows as military experts recognised the place as the end of the most naturally impregnable fortresses of war.

TRIBUTE TO WORK OF 3 INDIAN TROOPS

Keren the key to Eritrea, fell only after fierce and bitter fighting, says Reuter's special correspondent on the Keren front. It fell to a skilfully prepared assault by Highland and Indian troops, the first result of which was the storming of two important tactical positions strongly held by picked Italian units.

The advance began at 4-30 a.m. on Tuesday afternoon along both sides of the Keren valley, one force following the line of the railway and another moving forward along slopes opposite.

At the moment fixed for the assault the Italians were just beginning a counter-attack on the Dologorodoc fort. An Indian unit, advancing quickly to a new position, wiped out an attacking Italian battalion after a brisk action.

An Italian Colonel was killed and a Brigade Major captured The same Indian unit immediately afterwards shattered another Italian battalion, taking many prisoners. Meanwhile, the force advancing along the railway surprised the headquarters of the Colonel Commanding the Bersaglieri who was captured with two other officers. The British troops also cut off the vitally important peak of Sanchil which commands a large part of the road and railway leading to Keren. The Italians launched four counter-attacks against the new positions occupied by the British troops, but each time were beaten back with heavy casualties.

120 TONS OF BOMBS DROPPED

An R. A. F. communique says that 120 tons of bombs were dropped on Keren by the R. A. F. and South African Air Force, during the past 12 days.

END OF CAMPAIGN IN ERITREA

The fall of Keren practically means the end of the campaign in Eritrea, Italy's oldest and most-developed holding in North Africa writes Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent.

The capital, Asmara, and its chief seaport Massawa are not likely to put up any serious resistance.

The Duke of Aosta had been concentrating all available strength in the defence of two points—Addis Ababa in Abyssinia and Keren in Eritrea. Asmara and Massawa will probably meet the same fate as Keren in a matter of days, whereas the capture of Keren has taken weeks

ENEMY FOUGHT WELL

The Italians have fought well here. Their heavy losses testify to their qualities when fighting with their backs to the wall, but the British attacks had been pressed home inexorably and the fall of Keren was inevitable.

AFTER HARAR, ADDIS ABABA

The capture of Harar is also very important as it threatens the last link between Addis Ababa and the sea at Jibuti, but the subjection of Abyssinia need not be hurried and can be left largely to Abyssinian patriots. The end of the campaign in Eritrea, however, will release large imperial forces at a moment when they will be doubly precious in other spheres of the nearest. Incidentally there should be considerable war material awaiting harvest at Massawa.

A military spokesman here said on Tuesday that one-third of the forces in Mussolini's East African empire—consisting of some 60,000 to 70,000 troops—were estimated to be defending Keren. Their defeat might well lead to a general crumbling of the remainder of the forces at the disposal of the Duke of Aosta, Viceroy of Abyssinia.—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE ACTIVE

NAIROBI, March 28.

The South African Air Force continues its effective support of land operations in East Africa.

Four direct hits were secured on a camp, north of Lake Rudolf, says a Communique, and they bombed entrenchments and administrative buildings in the same area.

SINKING OF FRENCH SHIP

South Africa's action recently in requisitioning the French vessel "Ville de Majunga" was perfectly legal, the Prime Minister Gen. Smuts told the Assembly today at Cape Town. The ship, he said, was within the Union's territorial jurisdiction when the action was taken. Moreover, she was bound for enemy territory, since Madagascar was regarded as such for this purpose, as is practically the whole of French Government territory except North Africa.

Gen. Smuts added that compensation would be paid and the ship's company had been allowed to proceed to their destination in a Portuguese vessel.—Reuter.

ADDIS ABABA-JIBOUTI RLY. BOMBED

CAIRO, March 28.

Further heavy bombing attack on the Addis Ababa-Jibouti railway yesterday is described in the latest British Middle East G. H. Q. communique. Fifty miles east of the Abyssinian capital, it says, a troop train was machine-gunned and damaged. South African aircraft also successfully carried out bombing attacks north of Lake Rudolph. In air operations over the Dodecanese islands the R. A. F. scored hits on buildings and petrol dumps causing damage. R. A. F. suffered no losses.

Amery On Prominent Indians' Visit To U. S.

"No Special Facilities Given To Any Indian To Carry On British Propaganda In U. S."

LONDON, March 28.

The recent departure of prominent Indians from England to the United States was the subject of questions in the House of Commons by Mr. Sorensen (Labour.)

He asked Mr. Amery whether he would secure facilities for other Indians to proceed to the States whose views may not altogether coincide with those of Indians who had proceeded to the United States with facilities specially secured by him in order to present the British Government's viewpoint respecting India"

Mr Amery: No Indians have been given special facilities to proceed to the United States for the purpose referred to in the question.

Mr. Sorensen: Do I understand that no Indians at all have proceeded recently to the United States in order to put forward the British viewpoint?

Mr Amery: Indians have proceeded recently to the United States on business, but not for the purpose of putting forward the Government case. On the other hand I do not think it is for the British Government to send to the United States those who wish to state a case opposed to the Allies.—Reuter.

Fireworks In Nazi Germany

COLOGNE AND DUSSELDORF HEAVILY BOMBED BY R. A. F.

LONDON, March 28.

Cologne and Dusseldorf bore the brunt of last night's R. A. F. attacks on Germany, it is learned authoritatively in London. It is added that the bursts of bombs were clearly seen despite a ground haze.

BOMBERS HARASS ENEMY SHIPPING

Enemy shipping was harassed yesterday over a wide area by R. A. F. bombers, details of which operations together with those of attacks on industrial Germany and elsewhere are contained in an Air Ministry Communique which says:

Many heavy bombs were used in attacks last night on Cologne and Dusseldorf. Two large fires were seen near the railway goods-yard in Cologne while at Dusseldorf, flashes from bursting bombs were clearly visible in the factory area to the east of the Rhine and near the main railway station.

Attacks by smaller forces were made on docks in Dunkirk and Calais.

Three aircraft are missing.

Yesterday, adds the Communique, aircraft of the Bomber and Coastal Commands made a number of harassing attacks on enemy shipping, operations extending from the Frisian Islands to La Rochelle on the coast of Brittany. A supply ship in the harbour at Alderney received direct hits. Brest naval base was also attacked during the night.

Two of these aircraft are missing.

"HOT RECEPTION"

So hot was the reception accorded to two German bombers, which attempted to attack a British convoy yesterday that one finished in the sea and the other made for home badly crippled.

The story is told in an Admiralty Communique, which states that a Heinkel bomber was shot down on Thursday in the Bristol Channel when two Heinkels attacked H. M. S. Leith and a convoy to which she was acting as an escort. Both aircraft were hotly engaged by the Leith and by the convoy defences. One Heinkel was hit by a shell from the Leith and crashed into the sea and five survivors were taken prisoner. The second Heinkel was heavily hit and badly damaged and disappeared in low clouds and it is unlikely to have reached its base.

No British casualties or damage were sustained.

ATTACK ON ITALIAN SHIPS

A British submarine's torpedoes found their mark on an Italian supply ship or troopship about 6,000 tons and a 10,000 ton tanker in an escorted convoy south of Italy. Hits were observed but the vessels were not seen to sink as the submarine "Parthian' which delivered the attack took what an official announcement describes as "a drastic avoiding action" to elude the Italian escorts' counter-attack, but the sound of both the ships engines ceased abruptly.

BERLIN ADMITS IT

The fact that British aircraft were active over Western Germany last night is published by the official German News Agency which says that several buildings were destroyed and damaged.

BRITAIN QUIET

All Britain was again raid-free last night for the third consecutive night. Londoners experienced their seventh successive night without an alert.

CIVILIAN CASUALTIES

Miss Ellen Wilkinson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Home Security announced that the latest figures of civilian casualties came to over seventy thousand, including 40,756 wounded. The number of soldiers killed was one-fiftieth of the number of civilians.

RAIDS ON COAST

Single aircraft in the morning dropped bombs in a south-east coast town. Houses were damaged but nobody was killed or seriously injured.

In the early afternoon an aircraft dropped bombs in a south coast area causing a number of casualties including several people killed and damage to buildings.

Five German airmen landed in a British port to-day. Their plane was shot down by a naval craft and the airmen were subsequently rescued.—Reuter.

WANTED REAL POWER

Jinnah Declines To Oblige Defence Secretary

NEW DELHI, March 28.

Declining an invitation of Mr. Ogilive, Defence Secretary, to nominate two members of the Muslim League Party to join a party of members of the Central Legislature to go on a tour of military installations and institutions in India, Mr. M. A. Jinnah has written to the Defence Secretary:—

"I regret to have to say that this is one more effort on the part of the Government indirectly to get the Muslim League to bear the responsibility and associate with the policy of the war effort which are being made without our having a real and substantial authority in the Government at the Centre and the Provinces. You know that the Muslim League has repeatedly and officially stated that no useful purpose will be served by such methods or attempts which go to associate the name of the Muslim League only in matters of trifling character, as it is not possible by these means to secure full and whole-hearted co-operation of Muslim India. The British Government must, in order to secure full and willing support, associate the representatives of the Muslim League with the power in the Government as equal partners

"What is the use of the Muslim League members of the Central Legislature merely going on a brief tour of military installations and institutions, when they have no voice or share in the expenditure of money or any control

In shese circumstances I am unable to take the responsibility to nominate members of the Muslim League from the Central Legislature as desired by you."—A. P.

"Basumati" Office Searched

CALCUTTA, March 28

The order the Bengal Government, issued yesterday under the Defence of India Rules, banning the publication, sale and distribution of the Bengali daily "Dainik Basumati", was served on the editor of the paper this evening by an officer of the Detective Department of the Calcutta Police.

The police also searched the office of the "Basumati" in this connection and seized copies of the issue of the paper of March 23 which, as alleged in the Government order, contained certain prejudicial reports.

The "Dainik Basumati" will, therefore, cease to come out from to-morrow morning for a period of three weeks.—A. P.

15 P. C. Of Enemy Bombers Raiding Malta Destroyed

LONDON, March 27.

The excellent results secured by the defence of Malta against enemy aircraft attack are regarded in London as a tribute to the efficiency of British and Maltese troops, while also reflecting credit on the designers of artillery and on factory workers in Britain.

Since the middle of January, when, with the employment of German airmen, attacks began to increase in intensity, anti-aircraft gunners have shot down 35 aircraft representing about 15 per cent of the bombers employed. In the same time R.A.F. fighters had been dealing with escorting fighters.—Reuter.

Finance Bill Passed By Council Of State

NEW DELHI, March 28.

The Council of State passed the final reading of the Finance Bill without division.

The Council of State resumed consideration of the Finance Bill to-day.

Mr. V. V. Kalikar thanked Government for not having imposed more taxation than they had actually done. His complaint was that Indians had not been associated with the spending of the money for war purposes.

His speech dealt mainly with the present political situation. He said that it was not the Congress or the Muslim League alone but also the British Government that was responsible for the deadlock.

Rai Bahadur Lala Ramsarandas was sorry that the Government was pursuing a policy in its treatment to Indians which had resulted in loss of its prestige. That pained him and he advised Government to try to find out how that prestige could be regained.

Sir Hissamuddin claimed that the defence measures mentioned by the Finance Member called for their whole-hearted support. The Satyagraha movement of the Congress has been a most unfortunate development. This movement, however, is not affecting the war effort.

TRIBUTE TO INDIAN TROOPS

H. E. Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, intervening in the debate, replied to various criticisms levelled against the Defence Department.

The Commander-in-Chief said that he had every desire to keep in touch with public opinion and he stood by every word of what he had said in regard to associating the Legislature with the Defence Department. He assured the House that he and the Defence Secretary were working towards one and the same end; and means of implementing his undertaking were being worked out at present. He expected to make an announcement shortly on that subject.

Gen. Auchinleck next referred to the allegation of differentiation between British and Indians particularly in the matter of recruitment. He categorically denied that any differentiation existed and said that none would exist as long as he remained the Commander-in-Chief in India. Efficiency and suitability were the only two criteria for recruitment in the army. As for post-war reconstruction of the Indian Army, His Excellency asserted that neither he nor any one else could foresee what the Indian Army would be after the war.

Personally speaking he thought it unlikely that Indian Commissioned Officers would only be trusted with the Platoon Commander's job. He, however, stated that there was nothing derogatory in being a Platoon Commander. It was just the same system in the British Army. In India the difference arose, because Viceroy's Commissioned Officers used to hold the post of Platoon Commanders.

TWO SYSTEMS

His Excellency next dealt with the question of supply of officers for the Indian Army and said that means were being worked out not only for obtaining the right type of officers but also of giving them proper training. He expected to make an announcement on this subject also in the near future.

He, however, reiterated that there were no two sets of efficiency, one for British and the other for Indian officers. Similarly the system of recruitment was identical for the British and the Indian.

The Commander-in-Chief admitted that there were few Indians in the Ordnance factories and the Indian Army of Ordnance Corps. But he claimed that Ordnance factories were prepared to recruit 100 per cent Indians, provided Indians of the right qualifications were available. His regret was that Indians of proper qualifications were not forthcoming, and during the war they were not prepared to expose themselves to risks by taking in persons without proper qualifications. He assured the Council that there was no bar against Indians, provided they had necessary qualifications.

Speaking on the question of broadening the basis of recruitment to the army, he assured the Council that the question was under close examination of the authorities. Here the House, he said, should not expect spectacular results at once.

In conclusion he assured the House that any subject pertaining to the Department, if raised in the House, was bound to receive his attention.

Mr. Shantidas Askuran said that the debates in both Houses had shown that an unanswerable case had been made out for the removal of extra duty on artificial silk yarn.

Both Sir Mohammed Yakub and Mr. Mohammed Hussain expressed themselves against the removal of 'martial' and 'non-martial' distinction from the army.

Mr. P. N. Sapru began his sixty-minute speech by denouncing Hitlerism and Fascism and emphasising India's determination to help Britain in the creation of a new world order, in which all countries big or small could live a free and peaceful life. Therefore he did not wonder at the heavy expense for the defence. But the people who were being asked to make a heavy sacrifice, and to identify themselves whole-heartedly with the cause for which Britain was fighting had the right to expect that they should have a controlling voice in the war policy.

IS E. P. T. WAR TAX?

Mr. Hossain Imam complained that a part of the Excess Profits Tax was allowed to the provinces. He held that it was a war tax and should be utilised solely for war purposes by the centre. He also urged equalisation of the burden of defence between British India and Indian States. He said that every day they heard praises showered on the princes for their generosity and magnificent war contributions. None, however, mentioned the poor tax payer in British India, whose sacrifices and burdens were far greater than those of the Indian princes. "Kingdoms were falling in Europe like packs of cards and yet these Princes talked of their treaty rights and treaties, which in some cases were more than hundred years old".

Sir Girjashankar Bajpai in a brief speech replied to some of the criticisms. The Leader of the Opposition, Lala Ramsarandas had complained that an agent for India had not been appointed in the West Indies. Sir Girjashankar said that his predecessor had explained that the Government were in favour of appointment of Agents not merely in the West Indies but also in other territories where Indians were living in large numbers. The suggestion for the appointment of an Agent in the West Indies was made by the Government to the Royal Commission which sat in connection with the future Government of the West Indies.

The speaker was gratified that the members of the Progressive Party and the Muslim League Party had expressed their determination to defeat Nazism and Fascism.

WAS IT JUST, WAS IT FAIR?

The members had praised the part that was being played by Indian soldiers in recent victories in North Africa. Those soldiers were fighting, said Sir Girjashankar not only for the security and freedom of Great Britain but also for the safety and freedom of India. (Hear hear). The Finance Bill was designed to provide ways and means for enabling that glorious army to hew its way to victory alongside its British and other comrades. That being so was it just, was it fair, was it right, he asked, to refuse supplies. "Never were supplies denied for such a purpose".

MORE SUPPORT THAN CRITICISM.

Mr. Jones, Finance Secretary winding up the debate said that the Bill had on the whole more support than criticism.

A number of members had stressed the need for economy. Mr. Jones said that he had acknowledged that in the course of his speech on the supplementary Finance Bill.

With regard to the complaint about the salaries paid in the Supplies Department, he said that in November last he had agreed to place all the facts before the Standing Finance Committee for information and advice. That was done and the Committee's finding was "that considering the urgency and speed in which the department had to be created and other difficulties, the percentage on cases in which mistakes had been made justifying serious criticism was remarkably less".

The House divided on the motion for consideration which was adopted by 27 votes to 11.

The Bill was passed without division and the House rose till to-morrow.—A. P.

Indian Scientist Honoured

Dr. Homi J. Bhabha who was recently elected a Fellow of the Royal Society.

KARAKA COMES OF AGE

(Continued from Page 6.)

men and women in search of the eternal verities of life.

I, therefore, picked up Karaka's new book with its jacket illustrating a young man just about to paw a woman's flesh, with a certain amount of hesitancy. Was it once again the old so-called hot stuff served as a cold salad?—I wondered. The publicity notices, too, were advertising the sophistication, sex and all the other "esses" associated with the author's name.

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The theme of Karaka's first novel—the conflict of two generations—is also an old one. Ronald Sommerville is the apostle of Tradition while John, his son, is an advocate of what, for want of a better term, I may call the New Order. The book is built around those two central characters. It opens in Oxford though it "belongs", according to the author, to London where John goes to live on his own after being cut off by his father. In the end John triumphs over all his trials and tribulations, though that very triumph completes the tragedy of Ronald Sommerville's life.

A slight plot, you may say. But the author has shown great art and originality in developing it. The interest of the novel is sustained from the first to the last page; the action never flags; the characters never pall on the reader; incidents are cleverly interposed to support the main denouement.

That is saying a lot for a first novel. Karaka, however, is entitled to further credit still. For, as far as I am aware, this is the first novel written by an Indian author whose locale and characters are entirely English. So successfully, however, has Karaka picked up the idiom and idiosyncracies of Englishmen and so thoroughly at home is he in his *mise en scene*, that he hardly strikes a jarring note. Few, indeed, who do not know the nationality of the author, would suspect that he is an Indian. That is really an outstanding merit of the book.

Karaka, of course, writes vividly. His descriptions and dialogues have a verve and vigour of their own. And though he has let himself go here and there, I notice a certain welcome restraint in his latest volume. Let me assure his old admirers, however, that there is plenty of sophistication, sex and all that in "Just Flesh": Karaka, indeed, will make many "men about town" envious by his connoisseurship in wine and women!

The accent, however, has now shifted—perhaps in spite of the author. He does not come out merely as an Indian edition of Michael Arlen. Beneath all the superficial glitter, there is an essential simplicity, straightforwardness and, yes, sincerity in the book. That was what appealed to me most.

Is the author himself aware of this sea-change in him?—I wonder. Here is one of his characters, the artist St. John Caska speaking about himself, when he asked Daphne, the ordinary woman, to pose for his study of Life: "The work I have done has no life in it. It is clever. It sells .....It reveals a cynicism towards life—but it is a negative form of art.....It has no life, no soul."

Karaka, too, like his own Caska has struck a new path with "Just Flesh". It has a new life, a soul of its own. That is why I welcome it, and wish more point to his pen.

Immigration Bill Passes Second Reading

Ceylon Labour Minister Says It Has Nothing To Do With Delhi Talks

COLOMBO, March 26.

The suggestion that Sir Baron Jayatileka, Home Minister, and Leader of the State Council should go on a "one man mission", to India and make an honest attempt at settlement of the Indo-Ceylon problems was made by Dewan Bahadur I. X. Pereira in the course of the State Council debate on the Immigration Bill this evening.

Mr. Pereira who was a member of the recent Ceylon Indian Congress Delegation to India urged that the two bills now before the House be withdrawn so as to facilitate settlement by negotiations with India.

Taking the opportunity to refute allegations against Indian Leaders from Ceylon that they were responsible for the breakdown of the recent exploratory talks, Mr. Pereira emphasised that no Indian Leader wanted the lifting of the Government of India's present ban on immigration of unskilled labour. Nationalist India, he averred, wished well by Ceylon and had no designs on her. Admitting the inherent right of Ceylon to frame her own laws, he declared that nothing would be lost by mutual consultation and negotiation and one failure should not mean the breaking off of relations with India.

Earlier Mr. B. H. Aluwihare directing criticism against certain provisions of the Bill exclaimed that even Christ, Prince Sidhartha or Mahatma Gandhi could not gain admittance to Ceylon under the Bill. He suggested that gratuity should be paid to Indian labourers returning to India.

NOTHING TO DO WITH DELHI-TALKS

After seven more members participated in the debate Mr. G. C. S. Corea, Minister for Labour, Commerce and Industry, said that the Bill was purely for the purpose of control of immigration and should not be mixed up with the Delhi talks. He contended that political rights, which were being claimed for Indians in Ceylon did not include conditions laid down by India for the release of her nationals to Ceylon.

Sir Baron Jayatileka said that the Standing Committee to which the Bill will be referred will consider all constructive suggestions and remove any defects in the Bill.

Mr. G. S. Wodeman, Chief Secretary, in a brief reply emphasised the importance of maintaining friendly relations with India.

The six days debate concluded at 11 p. m. the House passing the second reading of the Bill by 29 votes to 12.

RIGHT OF RE-ENTRY

Other speakers who participated in last night's debate included Mr. R. H. Drayton (Legal Secretary) who said that the Bill did not prejudge the question who was and who was not a Ceylonese citizen. Referring to Europeans he said that as the Bill stood, it was not likely that any European would be able to claim right of re-entry into Ceylon. He suggested that the Standing Committee should consider the question of defining the category of persons, who should have absolute right of re-entry.

Sir Baron Jayatileka said that he did not think that the Governor will turn down the Bill merely because they did not obtain the prior consent of the Indian Government. The Governor will probably forward the Bill to the Secretary of State for Colonies, who will then probably consult the India Office and through them the India Government. There is no reason to think that the Bill will be turned down on unreasonable grounds.

Mr. Wodeman, Chief Secretary, said that he was perfectly certain that any modifications necessary would be fully considered at the Committee stage and he left the matter to the House in the sincere hope that whilst details of the Bill were being considered by the Standing Committee every avenue would be explored to reach a lasting and amicable understanding with their neighbour, India.

PLEA FOR R. T. C.

Mr. K. Natesa Iyer speaking earlier favoured the repatriation of about twenty to 25 per cent of the Indian labourers who formed the floating population of the estates. He suggested that before the legislation was passed the Board of Ministers should discuss the problem at a Round Table Conference with local Indians and come to some working arrangements as regards the status of Indians already in the island.

Mr. S. P. Vythilingam said that there was no opposition from Indians to the restriction of future immigration but what they wanted was that the status of Indians in Ceylon should be defined satisfactorily. Mr. Pathmanathan, while not disputing Ceylon's right to control immigration, said that it would be disastrous, however, to take any drastic action, which would irritate India in view of their dependence on India.

The debate on the second reading of the Bill for registration of Non-Ceylonese is proceeding.—A. P.

BURMESE REPLY TO DELHI PROPOSALS

NEW DELHI, March 28.

The "Associated Press" understands that the Burma Delegation's reply to the proposals submitted by the Government of India has been sent in to-day. It is expected that the Burma Delegation will leave Delhi on April 4.—A. P

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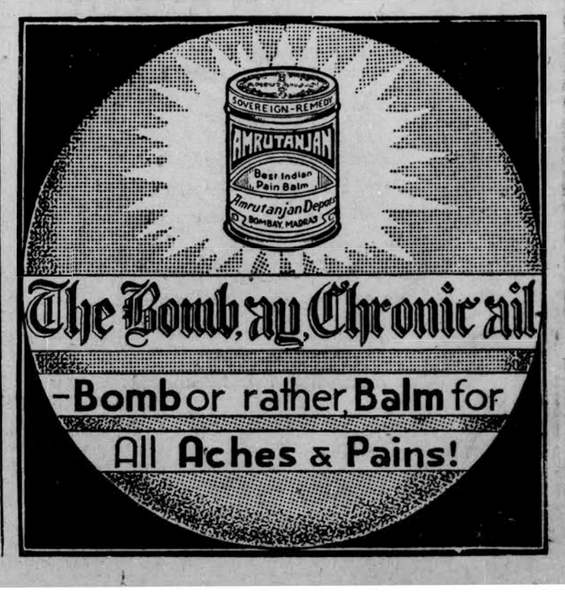
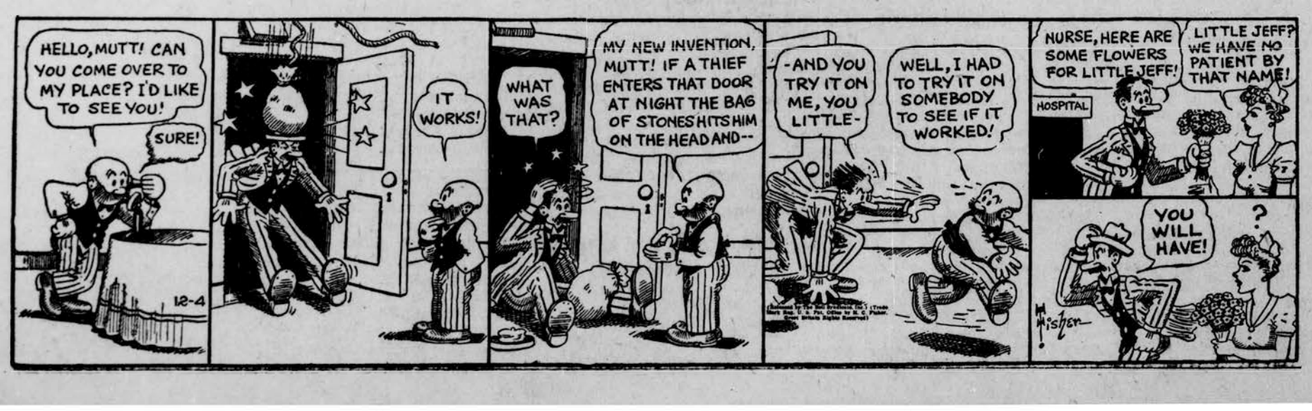


MUTT AND JEFF—This Looks Like the Old Sandbag Racket with Slightly Larger Grains of Sand By BUD FISHER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Aga Khan Hockey

Champions Eliminated In First Round

Lahore Y. M. C. A. Trounced By Bombay Customs: Nazir Shines With Hat-Trick

A five to one lead, eventually a five to two victory, few expected for the Bombay Customs, when they had as their opponents the Lahore Y.M.C.A. in the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament on Friday. The winners did not surprise the crowd of spectators by their fight and determination, as the Customs have the reputation of being the stoutest Bombay team in hockey history—a team that had out fought many a famed side They earned the cheers that met them as they left the field victorious after their do-or-die encounter.

If the spectators were not surprised at the Customs' display everyone in the stands were amazed at the Y. M. C. A. going down by five goals to two. A side that was awarded twenty-one penalty corners is not an outclassed team. Many held that, taking hockey and the finer points of the game collectively, the Lahore Y. M C. A. were the better side.

THE BRILLIANT NASIR

The hopes of the visitors foundered on their own mistakes and the wizardry of Nasir, the Customs centre-forward. The latter was unstoppable and he literally drilled holes through the Y. M. C A. defence repeatedly. Nasir, was positively brilliant on Friday.

GOOD, YET FAILED

Mohinder, is quite clever with his stick, but he should remember he has four other forwards to help the side along. Even a Dhyan Chand knows the value of a passing game. Brady and Bali played themselves out as halves and played well. Inder was a fine forward. Khurram was not quite the useful rough diamond Bombay saw last year.

THE GAME

In the eight minute Milne with a first timer scored for the Customs. After this the Y. M. C. A dominated the proceedings and the Customs were forced to wage a defensive fight for a spell. Despite this pressure the Y. M. C. A never were really dangerous. The Customs were having their breakaways and always were dangerous in their opponents' area, and the twenty-fifth minute saw Milne score again, using a clever pass from Nasir. Three minutes later Cowton saved from Mohinder, but as the ball left the goalies pads Inder was there and pushed the ball into the net. Many thought this point was to be the turning of the tide in favour of the visitors. They were playing good, hockey.

FATE SEALED

But, in the fifth minute of the second half, when Nasir brilliantly got past all opposition and scored the first goal of his hat trick, and then again, with the game five minutes older, when he zig-zagged just the Lahore backs and the goalie, the hopes of a Y. M. C. A. victory seemed even to optimists dull.

The visiting team continued untiringly, but appeared stronger in one camp, which made any brilliancy of individuals of little value.

The Lahore side's fate was sealed to all intent, when Nasir completed the Custom's tally and his own hat trick just past the midway stage of the last half.

But the Y. M. C. A. rallied. With team work more in prominence, they were on top and had their opponents defending, and then ten minutes from the close Mohinder with a hard shot had Cowton beaten. The Y. M. C. A. fought harder than ever, but their efforts ended in anything but goals. All the while, the watch of the time-keeping referee moved in relentless fashion, ticking of the remaining ten minutes, and the time was coming near, for the Aga Khan champions of 1937, to leave the tournament in the first round. This they did but should have one out with less ignominy.

The teams were:—

CUSTOMS A. C.: Cowton, Abreo and Aslam; S. M. Khan, Brewin and Saleem; Sweeney, Milne, Nasir, Afzal and Ansari.

Y. M. C. A., LAHORE: Chatterji, Ishwar and Khurrum; Dharam Vir, Brady and Bali; Kumar, Dawhney, Inder, Mohinder and A. D. Kumar.

UMPIRES: Messrs. Cyriaco D'Souza and A. J. Francis.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Bombay Gymkhana ground—4-15 p. m. Khaligat Sports Club, Calcutta v. Muslim Sports Club, Nagpur; 5-30 p. m. Bhopal Wanderers v. Belgaum Sports Club.

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Inter-School Hockey

The first semi-final the Dr. Viegas Inter-School Hockey Tournament ended in a draw, St. Mary's High School "A" and St. Sebastians Goan High School "A" sharing four goals in a very keen encounter.

In the early period George, converting a penalty corner, gave St. Mary's the lead. But before half-time arrived St. Sebastian's made things level Gastar DeSouza netting the equaliser from a corner hit that came to him correctly.

Midway through the final period Gardner once more put St. Mary's on top, and this appeared to be the decider But two minutes from the close St. Sebastians saved the game, when Gaster DeSouza dribbled past all opposition to register an unassisted tally.

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Women Hockey

To-day on the St. Xavier's Gymkhana ground, Parel, at 5-30 p. m., the Bombay Greys "A" will meet the Proctor Ladies "B" in the Hayes Cup Hockey Tournament.

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SELECTIONS FOR TO-DA'YS RACES

By "ORR"

The concluding day of the Spring Meeting, to be held to-day at Mahaluxmi, will see moderate fields in action.

The Carnarvon Plate which figures as the main attraction in the card, has attracted a poor field of eight stayers. I expect the fight for the issue to be confined to Gay Talkie, Coeus and San Francisco.

The following are the selections for the day:

1st Race 2-15 P.M.
VALENTIA JINKS 1.
ODORANTE 2.
LINGUAPHONE F.

2nd Race 2-45 P.M.
EMINENT 1.
SIT FAST 2.
HECTIC F.

3rd Race 3-15 P.M.
MUWAFFAQ AL ILAH 1.
MAJNUN ANWAH 2.
PRIDE OF MOSUL F.

4th Race 3-45 P.M.
TYRANT 1.
ISHTAY 2.
COUNTESS NIL F.

5th Race 4-15 P.M.
SPUN GLASS 1.
HASSINA 2.
BALLINAHOWN F.

6th Race 4-45 P.M.
GAY TALKIE 1.
COEUS 2.
SAN FRANCISCO F.

7th Race 5-15 P.M.
LENS 1.
SILK APRON 2.
SIR AMOS F.

8th Race 5-45 P.M.
GOOD CARE 1.
PANASTER 2.
SOLMINT F.

9th Race 6-15 P.M.
TERRACE 1.
SMARA 2.
COTYS F.

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SPUN GLASS
LENS
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LATE KAVASJI PETIGARA

Deputy Commissioner Of Police Who Bagged The "Mystery Man"

Death took place of Khan Bahadur Kavasji J. Petigara, former Deputy Commissioner and Estate Agent to the Aga Khan, at Dr. Bacha's hospital in the early hours of Friday morning. He was 63 years old.

Khan Bahadur Petigara was born in 1877 and after receiving his education at Surat and Bombay, he joined the Bombay Police force in 1903 as a Sub-Inspector.

His ability and perseverence were very soon in evidence, helping him to occupy the position of the Superintendent of the C.I.D. Branch in 1917. In 1928 he was promoted to be the Deputy Commissioner of the C.I.D., being the first Indian to occupy the position.

His 33 years of service in the Police Force had enabled him to be well acquainted with the various movements. The arrest of some of the distinguished national leaders including Mahatma Gandhi fell to his lot. His position during the last Civil Disobedience movement was none too enviable. But the most spectacular event of his career in this position was the scoop he carried out in the arrest of Mr. M. N. Roy, who was till then described as the "Mystery Man" and who was moving about the country under several aliases eluding the police wherever he went.

Among the honours conferred upon him were the medal of the Royal Victorian Order from the late King George V, the Kaiser-i-Hind Medal (first class), Companion of the Imperial Service Order and Officer of the Order of the British Empire. He was awarded the B.I.E. in 1933.

MADRAS MAYOR'S FINDINGS

Council Drops Khadi For Employees And Help To Hindi

MADRAS, March 27.

Khadi supply to the employees of the Madras Corporation is to be discontinued as the result of a resolution adopted by the City Council. In its place mill cloth is to be supplied. The resolution was adopted by 13 votes against 11.

Mr. C. Basudev, the Mayor, has issued a note in this connection saying that "Khadi has been found to be not only uneconomical, but unsuitable for rough wear and that the Corporation peons and other employees have objected to the compulsory use of this unsuitable cloth."

The City Council also refused to sanction the contribution for teaching Hindi in Corporation schools.—A. P.

BANK OF ENGLAND

LONDON, March 28.

Mr Montague Norman, Governor of the Bank of England is expected to be re-elected next week. The newspaper "Economist" points out that during the current year Mr. Norman will pass his seventieth birthday and forecasts, possibly, his retirement a year hence.—Reuter.

WORLD OF SPORT: HOME AND ABROAD

Bhimraj's Protest And Its Sequel

(BY LOOKER-ON)

The protest lodged by the Bhimraj Sports Club against the Young Sports has created quite a stir among local hockey circles. By upholding the protest, the Aga Khan Tournament Committee has undoubtedly accepted its grounds as valid. Gidney, the player concerned, was ineligible to play for the Young Sports having downed the colours of the Royal Indian Navy before. This player has been rightly suspended from further participation in the Tournament. But the Bhimraj Club was not satisfied with the order of replay of the match.

INADEQUATE NOTICE

The fact that they were not given even 24-hours notice for the replay has annoyed them still more. Rightly or wrongly, they feel that the Aga Khan Tournament Committee has made a present of the match to Young Sports. Their contention is that the Committee took as long as three days to decide the issue. But they did not allow them sufficient time even to notify their players. If the Committee had warned them beforehand that in the event of their protest being upheld, they would be required to play on Wednesday, there would have been some justification for their peremptory orders. But to expect a set of working-class men to appear on the field at a short notice is asking for the impossible!

CHIEF BONE OF CONTENTION

The Aga Khan Committee may be within their rights to issue orders in the manner they did. But it is hardly fair to the contending teams. The fact that the Young Sports were able to turn out is no justification for the short notice. Perhaps their players are better placed in their life and service than their rivals. However, the chief bone of contention is that the Young Sports should have been suspended from the Tournament as the G. I. P. Railway was from the Lewis Cup. Why was it not done? In defence of the Young Sports it is said, that they got an assurance from the Honorary Secretary of the B. P. H. A. that Gidney was eligible to play for them, as he did not appear to have played for any team before

NOVEL PROCEDURE

This is rather surprising. Evidently the register of the Association is faulty and needs to be perfected. But what strikes one as queer is the correspondence between the Association Secretary and the Young Sports What made the latter ask for a letter of assurance? This, I believe, is the first instance in the history of the B. P. H. A. when one of its affiliated clubs has asked for a letter of this nature. The usual procedure for an unregistered player is to apply for registration and for a registered player for transfer. Instead of following this well-known method why did they follow a new one. Obviously they did not accept the statement of the player, Gidney!

A FAR-FETCHED STATEMENT

It is stated in some quarters that Gidney had played in the League also If that is proved then, I am afraid, the B.P.H.A. Secretary would get into trouble. But the records of the Association seem to controvert this statement. There is nothing to show that the Navy or any other club had made use of his services in the League. The Secretary had merely confirmed this fact in his letter. That Gidney had played in the Lewis Cup had escaped his notice. This has no doubt given rise to the suspicion that Mr. Vakil lent a hand in extricating the Young Sports from the guilt. To my mind, this is rather far-fetched. In any case I expect the B.P.H.A. to deal with the matter thoroughly later on.

FOOTBALLERS, BEWARE!

Here is another case of indiscipline affecting communal sport. It will be remembered that the Young Goans were suspended by the W.I.F.A. last year on account of gross misconduct. The Goan community, or a large section of it, has taken this disciplinary action to heart. They have organised a tournament of their own and are now running it at the Cross Maidan. But this is definitely against the authority of the controlling body in Western India. The Hon. Secretary of the W.I.F.A. has therefore issued a warning to all the clubs and players that participation in any unaffiliated or unauthorised tournament will bring them under the law, which clearly means suspension. The organisers of the tournament would be well-advised to get it affiliated soon, and save the clubs and players from suspension.

UNAVOIDABLE DISAPPOINTMENT

Footballers in Bombay will be sorry to hear that W.I.F.A. has expressed its inability to send a team to Lahore to compete in the De Montmorency Tournament. Considering the fact that we have not yet started any soccer season, I do not see how they could have done otherwise. If Bombay is to send a team outside the Presidency, it must be a respectable one and in perfect fighting trim. I wish the Y.M.C.A. or the W.I.A.A. staff could go with a little addition of strength from outside their fold. I wonder why they in the Punjab hold this important tournament at this time of the year, when no other province in India is playing soccer. They are playing hockey everywhere now. Even in the Punjab I suppose. Why not shift the dates to a more suitable period?

W.I.A.A.'S GROUSE

I understand the W. I. A. A. staff are very sore over the W.I.F.A.'s verdict against their proposed trip to Goa. I do not know the reason for their refusal. The Automobile men contend that the W. I. F. A. itself entertained a team from Goa on the Coperage last year. And the Young Goans were allowed to visit that part of the country without any objection. Why then this ban on them they ask. I think our teams should be permitted to tour outside the borders of our province without any responsibility lying on the shoulders of the Association. That is the only way our teams and players will rise to great heights.

Unit Advisory Committee

The Government of Bombay have appointed the following to be members of the Unit Advisory Committee in respect of the 2nd (Bombay Presidency) Urban Infantry, Indian Territorial Force, for a period of one year with effect from April 1, 1941:—Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, Sir Rahimtoola Chinoy, Captain M. K Sheriff, 5th Royal Battalion. 5th Mahratha Light Infantry Administrative Commandant, 2nd (Bombay Presidency) Urban Infantry, Indian Territorial Force, Captain N.J.M. Homji and The Under-Secretary. Home Department, Mr V. N. Chandavarkar will be the President and the Under-Secretary, Home Department, the Secretary to the Committee.

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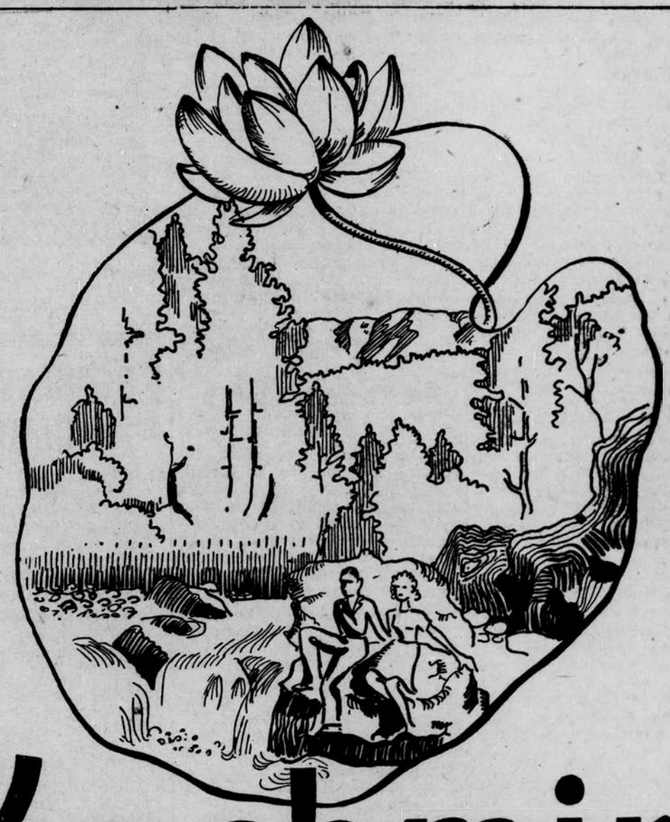

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ALLAHBUX CONSULTS AZAD

KARACHI, March 28.

Khan Bahadur Allahbux, the Premier, has addressed a communication to Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, in jail on the subject of the proposed increase of the salary of the Ministers.

It is stated that the reason why the salary is being increased has been explained. His approval has been sought.—United Press.

Sarojini For Bombay

HYDERABAD (Dn.), March 27.

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu will leave for Bombay on April 2 to participate in the 'National Week' celebration.—United Press.

'Nava Sansar' To Be Released Today

Mubarak, Renuka Devi and V. H. Desai in 'Naya Sansar.'

Expectant Public's Advance Enthusiasm

Bombay Talkies' New Film Comes To Roxy

If the enthusiasm of competent men is any guide to their work, "Naya Sansar" should turn out to be an outstanding production. Described as a purposeful picture, this Bombay Talkies' creation is scheduled for its premiere at the Roxy theatre at 3-30 this afternoon.

"Naya Sansar" has been made by the men who made "Bandhan". There is significance in that. In the void created by the unexpected demise of Mr. Himansu Rai, producer S. Mukerji and his gallant band stepped in, and produced "Bandhan" in admittedly difficult circumstances. And "Bandhan" proved the biggest success of 1940.

And now the same crew has piloted "Naya Sansar" to the screen, under fair weather and favourable circumstances. That is ground enough for the expectation that "Naya Sansar" will be "bigger, brighter, better" than "Bandhan."

It is a fact worthy of notice, that "Naya Sansar" is described as a progressive picture. The wonted taciturnity of Bombay Talkies gives authenticity to that claim; and the authorship of K. Ahmed Abbas confirms it.

More important than anything else, as a token of the quality o "Naya Sansar", is the enthusiasm of those connected with its production. Trained in the tradition of modesty. The production men of Bombay Talkies are never ebullient in the expression of their feelings. But in the case of "Naya Sansar", an atmosphere of enthusiastic anticipation appears to prevail, corresponding with the expectations of the public.

So far as the public is concerned, expectations about "Naya Sansar" are very high indeed. That was evident at the Roxy theatre during the last two days, when a steady pressure was maintained at the box-office for advance reservation of seats for the picture.

Renuka Devi and Ashok Kumar, Mubarak, Shah Nawaz, V. H. Desai, in fact every member of the cast whom the present writer has recently met, is in high spirits over "Naya Sansar." And, by no means the least among the enthusiasts, are the dance artiste Auzurie as well as the poet Pradeep, who has composed the songs for the picture.

With a progressive theme, notable stars, competent artistes, poetic songs and excellent dances, "Naya Sansar" may well prove the acme of Bombay Talkies' well-known dual policy of cultural mission and showmanship.

"Radhika" In 5th Week At Pathe

Nalini Jaywant A Great Favourite

National Studios' "Radhika" which is now in its fifth week at Pathe seems to have settled down to a steady run. There is every chance that it will go on for many months to come if we may judge from the large crowds that have been flocking to the theatre since its release.

Nalini Jaywant, a newcomer to the screen, gives a remarkable performance in the leading role In dancing, singing and acting, she leaves practically nothing to be desired. Harish plays opposite to her in the leading male role as the son of a prominent local man, her companion in childhood to whom she is attracted almost at the last step of her journey towards God. Jyoti and Veena Kumari appear in the chief supporting female roles and give remarkably good performances.

Kanhailal as the Mahant really lives the role. One of the veterans of the screen and before that, of the stage, it will be difficult to mention anyone who can surpass this artiste in depicting roles like what he has in "Radhika." Sankatha Prasad, Bhudo Advani and others appear in supporting roles to good effect. Sunalini Devi appears as the head of an Ashram

The next 'Navayug' picture is 'Sangam', whose shooting began on March 17. Winayak and Meenakshi will have leading roles. It will be directed by Mr. Junnarkar. The story is by Mr. V. S. Khandekar.

Kananbala and Jagdish in 'Lagan'

Vanamala and Premanand in "Gharjavai.'

Saigal And Kanan In "Lagan"

New Theatres' Latest Coming To Minerva

With the screen-craft and technique, worthy of a great master comes "Lagan", directed and photographed by Nitin Bose, from New Theatres at Minerva next Saturday.

"Lagan", as the advance reports show us is striking entirely a new note in our Indian films. "Lagan"—the meaning of which is attachment—yearning of one heart for another. This emotional expression of this particular word "Lagan" in Hindustani, receives a brilliant treatment through Nitin Bose's wonderful pictorial composition.

Saigal is introduced as a Poet, who composed and sang his own songs. His gramophone records, and radio broadcasts make him the monarch of melody. But before fame knocks at his door, due to certain circumstances, he is pushed into background. Nobody cares to know this young composer. When Kanan Bala sings the poems—composed by the Poet (Saigal), she becomes famous overnight—and is the toast of the town. Then, what about the poet? —What about the Composer of those lyrics?—Where is he? Why does the world not know him and honour him?

All that you see in 'Lagan.'

Queer Kanta Of "Gharjavai"

One of the critics remarked after seeing "Gharjawai" that among the female characterizations he had seen in the Indian social pictures one that can really be described as almost unique is that of Kanta. There are many others who hold an identical view on this subject.

What led the critic to this conclusion?. To answer it we must analyse the character of Kanta. Kanta is a portrait of a college girl. So many portraits of college girls have appeared in Indian pictures. How Kanta differs from other college girls of Indian films? Without subjecting all college girls of the films to detailed analysis the question can be briefly answered only by studying those characteristics of Kanta which are peculiarly hers.

Decidedly the most unique characteristic of Kanta is that she plays the game of romance in even more frivolous manner than most of us would like to play. In Kanta the author has shown us the irresponsible, flippant and frivolous spirit of a rich college girl at its best. For, Kanta who stages elopement just for the fun of it, who calls herself. Malkajan of Agra, without feeling bashful or embarrassed, who bluffs everybody she encounters and in fact does anything (whatever the stakes and reaction of others) that amuses her and thrills her heart is a unique combination of the modern gaity and mediaeval spirit of romance.

It is this characterization of Kanta that has given a twist to the comedy in "Gharjawai"; being different from others.

ALLEGED BREACH OF COPYRIGHT

Mr. Anant Hari Gadre, a Marathi play wright has given notice to the Tarun Pictures whose 'Prabhat' is now running at Pathe alleging that the said film is a breach of Mr. Gadre's copyright inasmuch as it is based on his play 'Mulinche College' published in 1933 and staged at that time also.

Seraphim Cinetone have secured the exclusive rights of Mr. S. P. Joshi's stage play "Khadashtak", which will be adapted for the screen under the titles of "Souda" in Hindi and 'Upavar Vadhoo' in Marathi.

LAST WEEK OF "RAJNARTAKI"

To-morrow, "Rajnartaki" enters its last week at the Royal Opera House.

Lovers of the dance, art must not fail to see this picture—those, that is, as have not by any chance seen it yet. There are at least two dances by Sadhona Bose (one of them a group dance) which present the art at a very high level indeed.

Discriminating picture-goers find the performance of Sadhona Bose ample compensation for the two hours they spend in seeing "Raj-Nartaki".

Chitra Productions' 'Kanchan' is completed at Ranjit Studios. The successful heroine of Bombay Talkies' 'Kangan' and 'Bandhan' plays the leading role in 'Kanchan.' In addition to singing a few fine songs, Leela Chitnis does a good deal of dancing also, for the first time in her career.

Leela Chitnis in Chitra's 'Kanchan.'

Camera Makes The Dance

Art Through Craft In "Padosi"

Screen dances are now the vogue. The majority of recent Indian films have featured dances, with varying significance to their respective stories. It is only stating the truth to say that of all those, the dances in the Prabhat picture "Padosi" belong to a category of its own.

The principal distinguishing feature of the "Padosi" dances is that they are not of the type that can be performed on the stage or in any drawing room. A stage dance would have been incongruous in a story of rural life; and a drawing-room dance, even if actually performed on the open field, would have been incompatible with the characters taking part in it.

Prabhat have therefore had to incorporate a typically rural dance. Now, a village dance, in truth, is not the kind of thing that may appeal to urban audiences, unless it is presented in a false form as is often done on the stage. Yet, the real rural dance in "Padosi" is at least as thrilling and aesthetically pleasant as any stage performance.

The trick of making the apparently impossible actually possible, has been effected by the camera and by the man behind the camera, Avadhoot. It is a fact constantly to be remembered, that everything that we see on the screen comes to us 'via' the lense.

That picturesque view of the torches alone dancing and making patterns—the torch bearers almost entirely eliminated from sight—that is one of the most picturesque things ever seen on the screen, but it is also something that the camera of an Avadhoot to give us, and never the naked eye.

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CENTRAL—"Padosi" and its Marathi version "Shejari", starring Datey and Jagirdar in the latter and Mazharkhan and Jagirdar in the former, Jayashree takes leading role as girl star in Marathi version. and Anis Khatoon in Hindustani. (10th week).

IMPERIAL—"Prabhat" Tarun Pictures' new social featuring Shanta Hublikar and P. Jairaj. (3rd week).

KRISHNA—"Samajna Vanke" Gujarat Kalamandir's new social, featuring Kamla Varerkar, Champaklal, Balabhai and Baby Manjula. (3rd week).

LAMINGTON —"Pardesi" Ranjit's new film, starring Motilal, Khurshid and Snehaprabha. (5th week).

MAJESTIC — "Punarmilan" of Bombay Talkies, starring Kishore Sahu and Snehaprabha. Excellent dances. (15th week).

MINERVA—"Virginia", Paragon's adaptation of French film. Manjula and Pratap starring. (3rd week).

OPERA HOUSE — "Rajnartaki" Wadia's first trilingual picture. Sadhona Bose, Prithviraj and Ahin Chowdhry starring. Beautiful dances. (8th week).

PATHE—"Radhika", starring Nalini Jaywant. Fine devotional (4th week).

ROXY—Bombay Talkies' 'Naya Sansar' starring Renuka Devi and Ashok Kumar with V. H Desai, Suresh, etc. New purposeful film (1st week).

WEST END—'Gharjawai' starring Vanmala and Shobhana Samarth. Social Comedy Screenplay by P. K. Atre. Asha Pictures' maiden production. (4th week).

"KHAZANCHI" AT KRISHNA NEXT SATURDAY

To-morrow, a hundred people will gather to take an important decision. There will be no speeches, no debates, no resolutions. Yet the cumulative view, tacitly carried by that assembly, will have an important bearing on the future course of film production in India.

To-morrow morning, representatives of the Bombay press will be invited to a preview of the Pancholi Art Production "Khazanchi." What they think of the picture will go a long way towards answering the question whether the Punjab, in the near future, will take an active part in our national film production. For. no production centre of Hindi films may hope for growth if its product does not find favour in cosmopolitan Bombay; and "Khazanchi" fairly represents the best of Punjab's production talent.

Vishnu Cinetone To Produce A Social

Vishnu Cinetone, who had been hitherto producing stunt pictures, announce that their next film, "Chandan" will be a Social. Director Dhirubhai is working at it.

The story of the picture is a stirring tale of tears and laughter beautifully woven around the colourful simplicity of village life, and Director Dhirubhai hopes to make it a great motion picture. A powerful cast headed by Nazir of "Mud" and Ashaq Hussain of "Mother India" will act in the film.

Manorama in 'Khajanchi'

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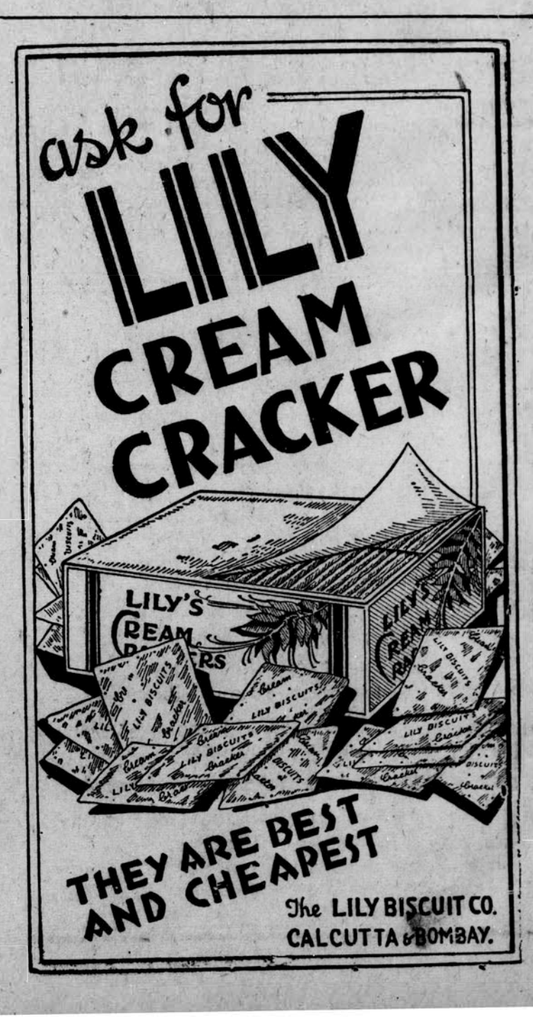

Women Demand Reform Of Hindu Marriage Laws

MADRAS, March 27.

"Ours is not a feminist movement. Our object is to improve the condition of women of this land", observed Begum Sultan Mir Amiruddin, presiding over the 23rd annual meeting of the Women's Indian Association.

The meeting welcomed the appointment of a committee to enquire into the Hindu Law Reform and at the same time urged that the scope of the enquiry should be made more comprehensive so as to include not only the Hindu women's inheritance rights succession etc., but also all matters affecting women including the reform of Hindu Marriage Laws.

The meeting also welcomed the Bill for the abolition of Child Marriage within the State of Travancore.—A. P.

New Secretariat For Hyderabad

HYDERABAD (Dn.), March 28.

In pursuance of the scheme to acquire lands and houses for constructing a new Secretariat, it is learnt, the Government of His Exalted Highness has already spent a sum of Rs. 12 lakhs for the acquisition of lands and houses out of Rs 20 lakhs budgetted for this purpose.—United Press.

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Ambedkar's Charge-Sheet:

"Mahars Are Unsteady In Public Work"

Communal Panchayats Are Squandering Public Funds On Frivolous Activity

BOMBAY, Friday.

A stringent attack on the working of the Panchayats of the Mahar community in the city was directed by Dr. B. K. Ambedkar in the presence of many of the prominent members of the Panchayats at a public meeting of the Depressed Classes held in the Bhatt High School Hall last night to consider the financial position of the Depressed Class Students' Hostel at Thana.

The Panchayats had been levying taxes of all sorts and under various pretexts on the community, he said. Most of that money used formerly to be spent on drinking bouts. But now that prohibition was introduced in the city the money was being spent on eating "batasas" and distributing sweets.

"What has come over you, the elders and senior members of the community,", asked Dr. Ambedkar, "that you should behave like children and want to indulge in sweets purchased out of public funds while the community has to face increasing competition with other communities in the struggle for life. Unless we discard these childish activities and take to the serious work of the social and educational advancement our position might get even worse than it is to-day."

EXAMPLE OF OTHERS.

Dr. Ambedkar held before the Depressed Classes the example of the advanced Indian communities. Among the advanced communities, he said, there were always a number of men who devoted themselves exclusively and life-long, to educational and other social institutions in their communities without any hope of reward or even appreciation.

Among educated youths of the Depressed Classes, however, the speaker witnessed the tendency to look out for seats on local boards, municipalities and similar other positions, and if they did not get these—and all of them could not possibly get these—then they gave up all interest in public work and sunk into total indifference to the fate of the community.

"NIBBLING"

There were others who were so unsteady in their public work that they nibbled at one type of work for some time, then turned on to another, then shifted to third one, leaving every institution they handle in a chaotic condition.

PROTEST AGAINST MEASURED RATE SYSTEM

POONA, March 27.

A largely attended meeting of the Poona Telephone Subscribers was held this evening at Haroon Mansion, to protest against the Measured Rate System of Telephones to be introduced in Poona by Government very shortly.

Sardar K. B. Padhamjee presided. Mr. Ahmed Ebrahim Haroon Jaffer opened the proceedings of the Meeting and thanked the Telephone Subscribers for their large attendance, and said it was a proof, if any proof was needed, that the Telephone Subscribers in Poona are all united in their protest against this new Measured Rate System, proposed to be introduced by Government. He said public was not consulted by Government. In these times of trade depression, the proposed measure was unwarranted.

Mr. Pocha, Mr. A. B. Sethna Pleader, Mr. Kothawala and Mr. Chinoy and other subscribers who followed, all criticised this new Measure to be introduced by Government.

An Association named "The Poona Telephone Subscribers' Association was formed with Sardar K. B. Padhamjee as President and Mr. F. P. Pocha, and Mr. Ahmed Ebrahim Haroon Jaffer as Secretaries and Treasurers, to take necessary steps in the matter. All the Telephone Subscribers present at the Meeting joined the Association and paid their yearly subscription in advance. A Committee of 12 was appointed with powers to co-opt and draft resolutions and make representation to the Government. The Committee will meet on Monday, the 31st at 5 p.m. at Haroon Mansion.

A large number of Merchants, Cinema owners, Doctors, Motor Dealers, and the owners of other leading Firms attended.

Countess Of Dufferin's Fund

NEW DELHI, March 26.

The annual meeting of the Countess of Dufferin's Fund and the Women's Medical Service was held this evening at the Viceroy's House. His Excellency the Marchioness of Linlithgow presided. In opening the proceedings Her Excellency welcomed Sir Cameron Badenoch as a worthy successor of Sir Ernest Burdon and said they would all look forward to many happy days in collaboration with him.—A. P.

Frontier Budget

PESHAWAR, March 27.

A small surplus of Rs. 32,000 is anticipated in the Budget estimates of the Northwest Frontier Province for 1941-42 which are published to-day.

The total revenue for the year 1941-42 is expected to yield 1,91,25,000 and the expenditure is estimated at Rs. 1,90,93,000.—A. P.

DISTRESSING SITUATION IN BULGARIA

BELGRADE, March 27.

News from Bulgaria reveals a very distressing situation. Among the population many people in Macedonia attempting to escape into Greece have been arrested. Food is scarce. An eye-witness reports that Germans are honouring the bonds issued against foodstuffs.—Reuter.

PROPERTY TAX DRAWBACK

Amendment In Bombay Finance Act

The section referring to the refund in the Urban Immovable Property Tax in the Bombay Finance Act has been so amended with retrospective effect as to provide for drawbacks in cases in which the Municipality gives a drawback of its general tax.

The Director of Information, Bombay, states:—

"Opportunity has been taken of the renewal of the Finance Act to make the following amendments:

THE URBAN IMMOVABLE PROPERTY TAX.

(a) Section 27 of the Act authorises a refund but—not a drawback as defined in the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888. As a result, it has been found that the operation of this section in the City of Bombay has become administratively very difficult, and in certain cases where a drawback of the municipal general tax has been given, refunds of the Urban Immovable Property Tax, though legally due, have not been given. This section has been amended with retrospective effect, so as to provide for drawbacks in cases in which the municipality gives a drawback of its general tax.

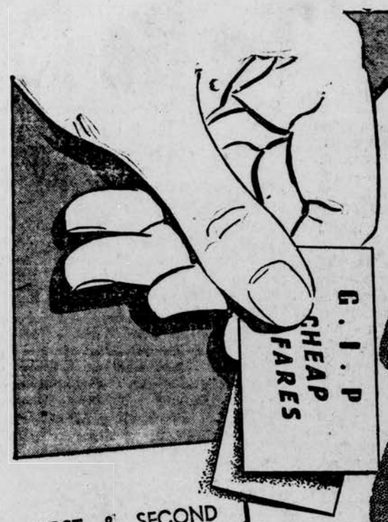
(b) Some of the notified areas in the Bombay Suburban District where the Urban Immovable Property Tax is in force are proposed to be converted into municipalities and some into village panchayats. The Government has decided that so far as the levy of the tax is concerned, the 'status quo' should be maintained in these areas."

The Bombay Finance Act, 1932, has now been extended for another year by the Bombay Finance (Amendment) Act, 1941, published in the Bombay Government Gazette dated March 27.

Referring to the amended Act, the Director of Information states:—

"As already announced at the time of publishing the budget, the amending Act reduces the urban immovable property tax by 20 per cent, i.e., from 10 per cent to 8 per cent and from 5 per cent to 4 per cent with effect from April 1, 1941. The rates of electricity duty, stamp duties and Court fees have been continued unchanged, because the Government finds, on a careful review of its financial commitments, that it cannot afford to give up further revenue"

"The stamp duty on a settlement (Article 58 of Schedule I to the Indian Stamp Act) is based on the value of the property as set forth in the deed of settlement. The Government has been advised that where a deed of settlement contains a revocation clause, it is open to the parties to put a nominal value on the settlement. In order to protect the Government's revenues, the article has been amended so as to make the duty payable on the value of the property as settled without the revocation clause. A similar amendment has been made in the case of Gifts (Article 33)."



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NO EXTRA PAYMENT TO HOSPITAL LABOUR

Municipality Shelves Step Suggested By Standing Committee

The question of the payment of suitable extra allowance to the members of the labour staff working at the municipal hospitals, etc., who are required to put in more than 8 hours' work per day daily has been shelved for the present.

The Municipal Commissioner in his report states:—

There are 188 employees working in the Arthur Road Hospital, Maratha Hospital, Turner Sanatorium and different Maternity Homes who put in approximately 410 hours of extra duty in excess of 8 hours per day. Similarly, 265 employees of the K.E.M. Hospital and the Seth G. S. Medical College do approximately 673 hours of extra duty making in all 1,088 hours of extra work, per day.

If it is decided to pay them an allowance for the extra hours they work over and above eight hours a day, it would involve an additional expenditure of Rs. 3,592 per month or Rs. 43,110 per annum approximately.

In case the Corporation decide to make such a grant, the employees working in the Bai Jerbai Wadia Hospital for Children and the Nowroji Wadia Maternity Hospital for whose maintenance the Corporation are bound, as per Agreement, to vote funds every year are likely to demand such a concession for work beyond eight hours of duty. In that case the Corporation will have to increase the annual grants to those in-

GWALIOR TIMBER FOR WAR PURPOSES

Several Saw Mills Specially Erected

GWALIOR, March 26.

With a view to be of greatest assistance in the prosecution of the war, the Government of Gwalior has undertaken to supply Gwalior timber and other forest produce to the Supply Department, Government of India, at extremely low rates.

Large quantities of teak ballies Sawn Salai Scantlings, Kardhai helves, wood wool, tent pegs, Babul Bark for tanning have already been supplied within a very short period and further stocks are ready to be despatched in immediate future.

Several Saw Mills have been specially established for this purpose at various places in the State and efforts are being made to procure more machinery for this purpose, if available in India.

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stitutions as per contract entered into with Sir Ness and Sir Cusro Wadia and the Corporation.

In view of the financial condition of the Municipal Corporation at present, it is not feasible to pay extra allowance as suggested in the Standing Committee Resolution under reference, the more so as service in a hospital always involves certain extra hours of duty as compared to that in other departments.

For the extra hour put in by the staff, the Hospital staff and most of the College staff are provided with rent free quarters and free medical treatment.

Chundrigar's Speech At Muslim Rally On Pakistan Day

(From A Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD (By Mail).

Under the instructions of the All-India Muslim League, Ahmedabad District Muslim League observed 23rd of March, 1941, as "Pakistan Day."

A large procession of Muslim League volunteers, Muslim League workers and Muslims was taken out at 4-30 p.m. from District League Office to the Shauket Maidan.

At 9-15 the same night a public meeting of the Musalmans of Ahmedabad was held at Shauket Maidan under the Presidentship of Mr. Saiyad Safdar Husain Bukhari, President Ahmedabad District Muslim League, when about 10,000 Muslims attended.

The meeting started with recital from the holy Quran by Moulvi Zainuddin Sahib.

Mr. M. M. Narsinh, Hon. Secretary, Ahmedabad District Muslim League read the Lahore Resolution and said that the Congress and the Muslim League opposed the federal part of the Government of India Act 1935, though on different grounds.

But, admitting for the sake of argument that Hindus and Muslims are one nation, the speaker referred to the instance of Ireland which contains one nation, but, a portion of it follows the English Church and the rest the other one and therefore Ireland is partitioned and Ulster is joined with England and the rest is given a different name and a separate Government.

Mr. I. I. Chundrigar, M.L.A., after explaining the Pakistan Scheme, said that even fair-minded Hindus favoured Pakistan and Mr. Mahajani, Principal, Fergusson College and a Liberal Leader has expressed his views that English Parliamentary system of Government is not suited to India.

He narrated Muslim League Party's experiences in the Bombay Assembly and said that even if the Muslim League Party's cause was just it was turned down by the Congress Government. No number of seats, he said, could safeguard the interests of Muslims, as long as, they were less than Hindu seats.

The speaker explained that under the present constitution if applied at the centre, we would have Mr. Bhulabhai Desai's Ministry and we cannot expect to have justice from Mr. Desai's Ministry, if we go in appeal against Mr. Kher's Ministry.

The President summed up and the meeting was dispersed at 11-30 p.m.

Thana Municipal Budget Presents No Striking Features

(From Our Correspondent.)

THANA, March 27.

The Budget estimates for the year 1941-42, which the General Board of the Thana Municipality passed in its meeting held on Tuesday under the presidentship of Mr. G. B. Walavalkar, presents no striking features.

No new schemes regarding either sanitation, education or water are adumbrated and the rate-payers are to go on with the same amenities, as they did during the previous year.

The total receipts from such items as terminal tax, house-tax, tolls, water rate etc. are estimated to be Rs. 2,46,000 and odd while expenditure is practically to be the same amount with a closing balance of Rs. 500.

The President, while explaining to your correspondent the position revealed by the humdrum Budget, deplored deeply the water-scarcity that is harassing the town for several years past. He hoped that the Government will soon accept the Municipal offer to purchase water from the Badlapur Barrage and thus help the Municipality in improving the town in many directions.

Bombay Industrial Research Committee

The Bombay Provincial Industrial Research Committee, at its first meeting, held under the chairmanship of Mr. H. F. Knight, Adviser to His Excellency the Governor, considered its own objects and the general policy of the Government in regard to industrial research.

The Committee also discussed the question of the principles which should govern the grant of research subsidies by the Government; the procedure to be adopted for bringing about co-ordination of research in the Province and the lines of co-operation with research laboratories and workshops; and extension of the use of groundnuts and groundnut products.

Suggestions regarding problems of industrial research to be undertaken and applications for grants-in-aid for specific problems should be forwarded to the Director of Industries, Old Custom House, Bombay, to be placed before the Committee, which is to meet once every three months.

Miss Kapila Khandwala Elected To Senate

Miss Kapila Khandwala, Principal of the Vanita Vishram Training College, Bombay, has been elected to the University Senate from the Registered Graduates' Constituency. She secured 4,560 votes as against 536 secured by her rival candidate, Prof. G. G. Khare of the Fergusson College, Poona. The bye-election was held to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Hansa Mehta, who now represents the Faculty of Arts.

WARDHMAN COMPANY CASE

(From Our Correspondent.)

RAJKOT, March 26.

The Rajkot State Sarnyayadhish Court rejected the bail application of four accused arrested in connection with the Wardhman Company case. The court rejected bail application on grounds that the offence is serious and the accused are likely to obstruct police evidence if released on bail.

It is learnt that appeal is likely to be filed to State Huzur court to-morrow.

PROVINCIAL PRESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Government of Bombay has approved of the recommendation made by the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, Bombay Sub-Committee, that, with a view to making the Provincial Press Advisory Committee more fully representative of the Press in the Province, the following persons should be appointed as additional members of the Provincial Press Advisory Committee:

Mr. Kutubuddin Siddiqui, Editor, "Roznama-e-Khilafat"; (representative of the Urdu Press); Mr. H. R. Moharey, Editor, "Samyukta Karnatak", Belgaum, (representative of the Kannada Press); Mr. K. G. Limaye, Editor, "Dnyan Prakash", Poona, (representative of the Marathi Press); Mr. N. C. Bodiwala, Editor, "Sandesh", Ahmedabad, (representative of the Gujarati Press).

Jawahar's Message For Acharya Jayanti

CALCUTTA, March 27

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has sent the following telegraphic message from the Lucknow jail in connection with the Acharya Ray Jayanti Chemical and Pharmaceutical Exhibition organised by the Commercial Museum of the Calcutta Corporation on the occasion of the 80th Birthday Anniversary of Sir P. C. Ray:—

"My homage to Acharya Ray May his inspiration continue to lead rapid development in chemical research and planned industry in India".

Sir Ardeshir Dalal has sent the following message from Bombay:

"I wish the Chemical and Pharmaceutical Exhibition to celebrate the Jayanti of Sir P.C. Ray, one of India's greatest scientists, and patriots every success.

Sir N. N. Sircar will open the Exhibition tomorrow evening. A large number of exhibits have arrived from different parts of India.—United Press.

CITY POLICE CHANGES

Bombay Gazette Notifications

The following notifications were made in Thursday's Government Gazette:—

Mr. W. W. Godwin, Superintendent of Police, Bombay City, to officiate as Deputy Commissioner of Police, Bombay, vice Mr. J. Simmons proceeding on leave preparatory to retirement.

Rao Saheb R. N. Nayampalli, Superintendent of Police, Bombay City, to officiate as Deputy Commissioner of Police, Bombay, vice Mr. J. C. Wilson proceeding on leave.

Mr. S. B. Kumta, Inspector of Police, Dharwar, to officiate as Deputy Superintendent of Police, Dharwar, vice Mr. W. J. Banham, appointed to officiate as District Superintendent of Police, Dharwar.

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Weekly Market Review

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Bombay: March 28.

MONEY.—Money was inclined to be more usable during the period under review. This was due to the financing of crop movements as well as to the accumulation in the market of silver stock released from the special source which was far in excess of the Up-country offtake. In addition to this, money was also locked up in financing the accumulated stocks of gold. But the demand was confined to borrowing for near dates only as the farther dates coincide with the approach of the rainy season and the concomitant uncertainty about the demand for money. Call rate was quoted higher at 1/2 per cent, but 3 to 6 months' money was unchanged at 3/4 to 1 per cent. per annum. Offerings of money to be invested in Treasury Bills fell to Rs. 155.75 lacs, while the sale of intermediates by the Government amounted to only Rs. 18 lacs. The yield on Treasury Bills was further marked up to Re. 0/13/1 per cent per annum compared to Re. 0/12/5 per cent in the preceding week.

The weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India made upto 21st March 1941 reveals an increase of Rs. 6.68 lacs in the active note circulation. The total note issue has expanded by Rs. 103.91 lacs and there is a corresponding rise of Rs. 103.91 lacs in the Bank's holding of 'Rupee Coin.' In the Banking department Government deposits have gone up by Rs. 438.19 lacs, while Bankers' and Other deposits have declined by Rs. 143.94 lacs and Rs. 13.04 lacs respectively. Balances held abroad record a further addition of Rs. 142.81 lacs.

The statement of affairs of the Imperial Bank of India for the week ended 21st Mar. 1941 registers a fall of Rs. 47.06 lacs in Deposits, while both Investments and Advances have advanced by Rs. 21.88 lacs and Rs. 73.26 lacs. The Bank's holding of Cash has been depleted by Rs. 134.70 lacs.

GILT-EDGED.—Despite the crisis in the Balkans the local gilt-edged market remained practically undisturbed and prices were fairly maintained throughout with a quietly steady undertone. In fact 3 1/2 per cent India Sterling Stock in London advanced further from £99 to £99 1/2 at the close. 3-1/2 per cent Rupee Paper in the local market ruled steady around Rs. 95/13. Amongst other dated bonds 3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 loan moved up from Rs. 102 to Rs. 102/6, 4 per cent 1960/70 loan gained from Rs. 108/12 to Rs. 109 and 3 per cent 1946 bonds were wanted at Rs. 101/6. 2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 loan remained static at Rs. 97, 3 per cent 1941 bonds were practically unchanged at Rs. 100/10 and 3 per cent 1951/54 loan showed little or no variation around Rs. 99/8. 3 per cent 1963/65 loan was neglected at Rs. 95, 4 per cent 1943 bonds at Rs. 104/9 and 4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 loan at Rs. 113/8. 5 per cent 1945/55 (tax free) loan on the other hand, was inclined to be offered at Rs. 111/12 as against the opening level of Rs. 112.

EXCHANGE.—There was little activity in the rupee/sterling exchange market and rates remained unchanged. Very restricted showing of merchandise export bills, both dollar bills and sterling bills was reported and some remittance inquiry against imports of silver from the U. S. was noticed. For inter-bank transactions sellers of spot T T quoted 1s. 5 63/64d and buyers 1s. 6d. Merchant rates fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association were unchanged as under:—

Sellers T T for spot delivery and upto six months 1s 5 31/32d.

Buyers T T for spot delivery and upto six months 1s 6 1/32d.

In the New York market sterling was quoted at 403.50 cents during the earlier part of the week and at 403.25 cents during the latter half. The Shanghai dollar was inclined to be easier and from 3 5/16d at the opening it declined to 3 3/16d on Monday and further to 3 1/8d the following day. The yen was stationary at the pegged rate of 1s 2 1/2d.

GOLD.—The gold market continued to exhibit a steady undertone throughout the week under review. From Rs. 43/8/6 spot gold went up to Rs. 44/1/6 on Monday in consonance with an upward movement in the commodity markets. Purchases by option-dealers and speculative buying were more responsible for this rise than any outside factors of political or military importance. For the rest of the week the rate varied between Rs. 43/10/6 and Rs. 43/14/6. April settlement stood at a premium of one anna over spot and gold to be delivered in May settlement commanded a premium of 1 1/2 annas over April. Sovereigns were neglected and the price of the coin came down from Rs. 29/10 to Rs. 29/8 during the course of the week. Floating stocks in the market have accumulated to over 5,00,000 tolas in the absence of exports and on lower internal offtake; arrivals from Upcountry are believed to have averaged about 12,000 tolas a day; while the average daily offtake is put at 2,000 tolas. The highest and the lowest rates touched were: Rs. 44-1-6 and Rs. 43-9-6 for spot, Rs. 44-2-6 and Rs. 43-10-6 for April settlement and Rs. 44-3-6 and Rs. 43-11-6 for May settlement.

SILVER.—In sympathy with the rise in cotton and other commodities the silver market witnessed higher prices than were seen for some time past. The rise, however, was comparatively small in view of the selling at tap by the special source. Spot silver went up to Rs. 63/12/6 on Monday from the opening level of Rs. 63/4. The special source continued to supply the metal freely, deliveries ranging over a period of 3 weeks the price varied between Rs. 63/3/6 and Rs. 63/8 for the rest of the week. In addition to large sales by the special source, considerable orders for import of silver from America were reported to have been booked because the local rates ruled over import parity. April settlement was quoted at 1 1/2 annas over spot and May settlement stood 2 annas over April. In London the quotation for cash as well as forward delivery silver was fixed at 23 1/2d throughout the week except at the opening when it was 1/16d under at 23 1/16d. At the close two months' forward delivery silver stood at a discount of 1/16. The market, however, remained dull without much business. Stocks of the metal are higher at 15,000 bars owing to the release of silver by the special source during the week. The highest and lowest rates touched were: Rs. 63/12/6 and Rs. 63/1/6 for spot, Rs. 63/14 and Rs. 63/3 for April settlement and Rs. 64 and Rs. 63/5 for May settlement.

SHARES.—The local Share Market was characterised by a weak tone following latest developments in the European political situation and prices sagged around. Steel shares suffered a sharp fall, Tata Iron and Steel Deferreds declined from Rs. 2080 to Rs. 2017/8 at the close. Ordinaries also shed about 8 points to Rs. 394. The turnover in this section was moderate. In the mill group although the fall was relatively small there were more sellers in all scrips. Bombay Dyeings moved down from Rs. 1146/4 to Rs. 1120 at the finish; Kohinoors lost ground from Rs. 438 to 429 and New Greats from Rs. 467 to Rs. 444. Business was done in Centuries at Rs. 416 as compared to the opening level of Rs. 425 and Central Indias were inclined to be offered at Rs. 327. Colaba Lands also dropped from Rs. 181 to Rs. 179, but rallied to Rs. 184 at the close on fair buying. Gokaks ruled somewhat steady at Rs. 224. The Hydro-Electric section on the other hand was a shade steady in sympathy with gilt-edged; Andhra Valleys were quoted ex-dividend at Rs. 1800 and Tata Powers at Rs. 1640 ex-dividend. Bombay Trams were done at Rs. 137/8 and Tata Hydros at Rs. 181. There was very little doing in the Bank section, there being a complete dearth of investment inquiry; Bank of Indias remained pegged around Rs. 141 and Imperial Bank fully paids were stationary at Rs. 1555 all through the week. Central Banks, however, ruled firm at Rs. 43/11, but Reserve Banks were quieter at Rs. 105. Amongst Railways occasional business was done in Ahmedabad Prantij Railways scrips at rates varying between Rs. 845 and Rs. 837/8 and in Tapti Valleys around Rs. 645. In the Miscellaneous section there was an all-round decline in rates; Associated Cements steadily lost ground from Rs. 147/8 to Rs. 144 and Belapurs from Rs. 221 to Rs. 216, whilst Bombay Burmas after ruling firm at Rs. 581/4 earlier in the week, declined to Rs. 567/8 in sympathy with the rest of the market. Scindia Steams were neglected around Rs. 21/4, whilst New Indias were firm at Rs. 42/8.

CALCUTTA.—The Jute Section of the Calcutta Stock Exchange ruled quietly steady with little variations in rates. The turnover during the week was negligible.

COTTON SITUATION STILL FAVOURS BULLS

Broach Spot Cotton At Premium Over Contract

Bombay: March 27.

Messrs. P. Chrystal and Co. have issued the following interesting weekly report:—

A week of small fluctuations in New York has brought little change in values. Bombay operators at times were the principal sellers, this being one side of a straddle which recently has gone wrong. Trade seems to have been the chief buyer but there has also been some speculative support in the hope that Bankhead's proposals will be accepted at least in part. We have difficulty in believing that the Administration will step up the Loan level as high as 14 1/2 cents. Some compromise level probably will be found. Any way we see little chance of any decline of importance in American cotton prices.

There is little to be said about the Liverpool market as it is now almost certain that it will cease to function in the usual manner until the war is over.

LOCAL MARKET

In Bombay we have had a week of adjustments after the sharp advance which recently took place. It takes a market some time to become accustomed to a new level but now that most of the option interest has been liquidated a clearer view is possible. As we said in this review last week we are of opinion the position still favours the bulls. On the Broach line more than three-quarters of the crop has been marketed and arrivals are falling off. Spot cotton still is quoted at a premium over the contract. Surtees are being keenly taken up by consumers even in face of an increased basis. If bulls should call for tenders next month the contract can be squeezed as the quantity of tenderable cotton is definitely limited. We have difficulty in understanding why dealers recently have been making fresh short sales or hedge sales in the July/Aug. contract for by the time that contract matures the statistical posititon must be worse rather than easier.

During the week the spot market has not been quite so active as heretofore. This is not entirely surprising as after a large advance consumers are inclined to wait to see whether the advance has come to stay. The fact that in most cases the cost of actual cotton has advanced more than the contract is to our mind an indication that the recovery in value is justified. As has been pointed out by many market writers in recent months the demand for Indian cotton of the value of C. P. 1 and over is in excess of the supply this season. The writer was astonished two days ago when he read an article in a Bombay daily paper in which the author argued the opposite. Where this writer went off the rails was that he omitted to mention that there are many lacs of bales of Indian cotton grown outside the Oomra and Bengal areas which are definitely shorter than seven-eighths of an inch in staple. Here we need only mention the large quantity of 4F seed cotton produced in the Punjab and Sind. Apparently the Government of India is at last wise to the situation as it was announced at the end of last week that the Indian Stores Department will shortly revise their cloth specifications so as to permit the use of shorter staple varieties in Government contracts. It is to be hoped that this change will be drastic enough and so help into consumption a considerable portion of the large Oomra and Bengal supplies. We go further and suggest that next season large quantities of better staple seeds be made freely available in districts where shorter varieties have been produced in the past.

DENA BANK OPENS MANDVI BRANCH

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Devkaran Nanjee Banking Co. Ltd. opened to-day at 8 a.m., its fourth Branch at Mandvi, when all the Directors were present. The ceremony was performed by Kumari Nalini and all Hindu religious ceremonies were done. Later on the new Branch was visited by numerous well-known Mandvi clients who opened current and savings accounts.

The building was decorated with flags and bunting and the Chairman, Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee, J.P., received a number of congratulatory messages wishing him brilliant success in his new venture.

More Textiles And Jute Sold To Egypt

Promising Market For Other Indian Products

Imports of cotton piecegoods from India into Egypt increased nine times in value, and of jute two and a half times, during the quarter under review as compared with the corresponding quarter in 1939, according to the quarterly report of the Indian Government Trade Commissioner, Alexandria for April-June 1940.

In addition to important commodities—like tea, cotton, piecegoods, jute manufactures—Indian spices, sporting requisites, headgear and other goods have a good market in Egypt. There is a large demand at present for fertilisers, hides, skins and leather, paper, cardboard and articles thereof, iron, cast iron and steel, castor and linseed oil, and chemical and pharmaceutical products.

The total value of imports into Egypt showed a decided increase of not less than L. E. 3,000,000 during the period under review over that of the corresponding period of 1939, India improving her position from L. E. 114,697 to L.E. 336,066. Exports from Egypt also rose, and out of the total increase of L.E. 1,768,935 in the quarter as against the corresponding quarter of 1939. India's shares increased from L.E. 365,898 in the second quarter of 1939 to L.E. 401,465, purchases of raw cotton alone accounting for L.E. 390,825.

DIVERTION TO INDIA

There is a possibility of a portion of the textile trade formerly carried on by Italy being diverted to India. Already there is a movement among Egyptian importers to get into closer touch with exporters of Indian cotton textiles. Some of the merchants, who in the past dealt mainly in Japanese piecegoods are also looking to India for supplies. Many importers are anxious to obtain sole agencies of important firms in India. They are understood to have written to firms whose names are supplied by the Indian Government Trade Commissioner. It will, however, be for the Indian firms to decide how far their interests will be safeguarded by appointing sole agents for all or some of the lines handled by them.

Although India is continuing to make substantial improvements in her tea exports, she has still a long way to go to recover the position she held during the last decade. Much can be done if exporters pay greater attention to the Egyptian market and offer tea at competitive prices to meet the demands for cheaper varieties.

Attempts made to introduce Indian coal have met with some success. The Egyptian Government have raised the prices fixed for coal to make imports from India possible and Indian coal has made its appearance in Egyptian market besides being imported by the Egyptian and Sudan Governments. Unfortunately the high freight rates charged for importing coal from India prevent it from being sold at reduced prices. Although there has been a substantial reduction in the total amount of coal imported, fairly large quantities will still be required for the railways, shipping lines and Egyptian industries.

Deposit Of Trade Marks

The scheme for the deposit of trade marks, originally sanctioned by the Government of India for six months from October 1, 1940, has been extended for three months—to June 30, 1941.

By an amendment to the original notification, it has now been provided that in future persons who intend to apply for the deposit of trade marks consisting exclusively of numerals or words or any combination thereof relating to textile goods may do so on, ordinary paper in duplicate, stating particulars regarding the articles on which the marks are used or are proposed to be used and the period of use, if any, of the marks.

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ALLEGATIONS AGAINST CIVIC GUARDS REFUTED

Discussion Of Demands For Supplementary Grants

FINE BODY OF MEN EXPECTED TO DO USEFUL WORK, SAYS SIR COWASJI

NEW DELHI, March 28.

Discussing demands for supplementary grants to-day, the Assembly first disposed of a demand for Rs. 1,000 in respect of Income-tax and Corporation Tax after listening to a warm defence from the Finance Member of the method followed by Government in selecting the personnel of the Income-tax appellate Tribunal.

Sir Jeremy Raisman said that most of the criticism of the procedure was due to lack of knowledge and to a complete misunderstanding in some cases.

The tribunal, he reminded the House, consisted of an equal number of judicial members and accountant members.

The demand was agreed to.

I. C. S. PROBATIONERING TRAINING.

The experiment of training I. C. S. probationers in India instead of in England "out of touch with Indian conditions" looked extremely promising, said Sir Reginald Maxwell, Home Member, in the course of his reply to the debate on a demand relating to the Home Department, under which Maulvi Abdul Ghani, Mr. Chattopadhyaya, Pandit L. K. Maitra, Pandit Nilakanta Das Mr. Azar Ali, Dr. Bannerjee and Mr. Navalrai asked for information on a number of points.

The experiment, which said the Home Member, had been forced upon Government by war conditions was being tried in a camp established in Dehra Dun, where all the probationers (numbering 29) were being trained. Eleven of them were Indians recruited by competition and nomination in India, while six were Indians and twelve Europeans selected in England. They were being trained together under identical conditions.

"OTHER CHARGES" IN DEMAND.

Explaining the "other charges" included in the Demand amounting to Rs. 1,10,000, the Home Member said the item consisted of a number of smaller items relating to the Bureau of Public Information, such as travelling allowances due to tours of Publicity Officers in connection with the general programme of Publicity work, hill journey allowances, house rent allowances, contingencies such as purchase of news photographs for publicity purposes for supply to newspapers.

Two cut motions were rejected and demand was agreed to.

COMMERCE DEPT.

In the course of the debate on the next demand relating to the Commerce Department, Dr. Bannerjee sharply commented on what he regarded as the "intolerant attitude" of the Finance Member who, it seemed, had stated earlier in the day that certain criticisms of the Income-Tax Appellate Tribunal made by members of the House were "irresponsible."

The Finance Member intervening said he had made no reference to members of the House; he was referring to criticisms in the press.

Dr. Bannerjee said he was glad that the point had been cleared; but even so the Finance Member should not be so intolerant of criticism.

Later Mr. Lalchand Navalrai said that the Finance Member should not have made a general charge against the whole press but should have specified what newspapers he had in mind.

Attack On Civic Guard Organisation

A strong attack on the organisation of Civic Guards was made in the course of the debate on a cut motion moved by Maulvi Abdul Ghani to a demand under police. Mr. Kazmi, Pandit Nilakanta Das and Mr. A. N. Chattopadhyaya denounced civic guards as "useless" and declared that it was waste of money to raise them. The speakers emphasised that indigenous volunteer organisations should be encouraged and not interfered with, as at present, under the Defence of India Rules. These organisations would serve the purpose better and would cost much less. Mr. Kazmi condemned the "suppression" of Congress volunteers, the Muslim League volunteers and the Ahrars.

MAXWELL ON DUTIES OF CIVIC GUARDS.

Pandit Nilakanta Das said that in his own province he and others were prepared to co-operate with the Government in building up a force which would guard against internal disorder, but all that he was asked to do was to contribute Rs. 5 to the war fund (laughter).

Sir Reginald Maxwell explaining the organisation of the Civic Guards said they were intended to do the simpler forms of police duties such as guarding buildings and installations including those of Central Government in the provinces. It was a matter of ordinary precaution under war conditions to have something in the nature of a moderately trained reserve force on which the provinces could rely in an emergency without a great deal of cost.

PROVINCIAL FORCE.

The Home Member went on to emphasise that Civic Guards were an entirely provincial force. The Central Government took no responsibility for the details of the organisation or its employment, and it was therefore not relevant to the demand to argue that the force was not useful for this or that purpose.

ALLEGATIONS REFUTED.

Sir Cowasji Jehangir spiritedly refuted the allegations made against Civic Guards.

Speaking on Bombay he referred to the high standard of education of the members of the force. It contained few who were not graduates, he said. "They are a fine body of men and are expected to do useful work. When you get such a class of men, to hear them run down is deplorable. (Hear hear). It is a great pity to hear in this house criticisms which are untrue".

The cut motion was rejected and the demand was granted.

INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH BOARD.

The House enthusiastically agreed to demands under the Scientific and Industrial Research Board and the Geological Survey of India.

A number of speakers eulogised the Research Board and suggested that it should receive more generous grants. As regards the Geological Survey, the Commerce Member referred in terms of praise to the work done by the director Dr. Fox and his co-workers and dwelt on the discovery made recently of such important industrial and war essentials as sulpher, bauxite, etc.

The house adjourned till tomorrow.—A. P.

A group photograph was taken on the occasion of annual session of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce which was held at Delhi under the presidentship of Mr. Amrit Lal Ahuja (marked X) on Sunday. Photo includes Seth G. D. Birla, Mr. Ahuja, Sir Sri Ram and others.

SESSION MAY BE EXTENDED

NEW DELHI, March 28.

After questions in the Assembly, Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, leader of the House, stated that as the official business on the agenda might not conclude on Saturday, the session might have to be extended, and the House might have to sit on Monday and Tuesday, if necessary.

Assembly Questions

INDO-AFGHAN TRADE RELATIONS

Since the exploratory discussions which were held in 1939 between the Government of India and an Afghan Trade Delegation led by Sardar Abdul Majid, said Mr. Caroe, Foreign Secretary, in reply to a question this morning, detailed examination had been made of the possibility of concluding a trade pact between India and Afghanistan. "All such negotiations," Mr. Caroe added, "are, however, complicated by the fact that Afghan trade is in the main controlled by a monopoly system of state trading companies, whereas in India, trade is not subjected to state control.

The Government, however, maintain a trade agent in Kabul to advise Indian traders of promising opportunities for expansion of Indian exports.

Replying to supplementaries, Mr. Caroe said, it was not possible to associate non-officials with the negotiations, which, he said, were of a delicate nature.—A. P.

Mukundalal Sircar Sees Mahatma

WARDHA, March 27.

Mr. Mukundalal Sircar, Secretary of the All-India Forward "Bloc", and Mr. R. S. Ruiker, President of the Provincial Forward "Bloc" of Nagpur, saw Gandhiji this afternoon.

It is understood that the political situation in general and the relations in the present struggle between the Congress and the Forward "Bloc" figured prominently during their talks.

Messrs. Sircar and Ruiker left for Nagpur.—United Press.

DACCA RETURNING TO NORMAL

Peace Committees At Work: Chief Minister's Statement In Council

CALCUTTA, March 28.

In reply to a short notice question by Mr. Lalit Chandra Das, (Congress) in the Bengal Council (Upper House) to-day, the Chief Minister, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, made a statement regarding the latest situation at Dacca.

He said that there was no instance of stabbing and arson since March 25 and no instance of looting had been reported since 21st. Emergency had been declared.

Eastern Frontier Rifles had been called out, Curfew Order had been promulgated and local defence scheme brought into operation. The latest report went to show that people were getting food supplies, shops had been opened, but not to the extent that they would desire. But things were returning to normal.

The Chief Minister added that a trunk telephone call received by him this morning stated that everything was quiet and things had improved. Peace committees had been formed in almost every Mohalla and they were working satisfactorily.—A.P.

Mr. A. S. Bokhari, Controller of Broadcasting in India, returned to Calcutta to-day from Dacca, where he discussed with the local authorities how the radio could contribute to the restoration of peace and order in that town.

"It Will Prove Disastrous To Muslims"

Criminal For Politicians To Impair Unity Of Motherland, Says Reception Chairman

KUMBAKONAM, March 27.

An anti-separation conference convened by the nationalistic-minded Muslims of South India will be held here on April 10 and subsequent days.

Mr. K. M. Sheriff, Chairman of the Reception Committee requests all Muslims and others who are opposed to the partitioning scheme to muster strong at the conference and register their will.

Explaining the object of the conference Mr. Sheriff says:

"It will be remembered that the scheme to partition India was at first put forward as the best safeguard for the Muslims in the provinces where they are in a minority. In South India the Muslims who are in a minority do not think that such a scheme will benefit them. ON THE OTHER HAND THEY ARE CONVINCED THAT IT WILL ONLY BRING THEM DISASTER.

Among some of our Muslim brethren there is a certain degree of enthusiasm in favour of partition, but it is of no value because it comes from those who are not in a position to think deeply about the subject. They are led astray by a few ambitious politicians for reasons best known to themselves.

The sensible and responsible portion of the Muslims of the South are strongly opposed to the partition scheme. They have hitherto kept themselves aloof and away from active politics and have hesitated to condemn in public the dismemberment of the country.

They have now come to feel that it is criminal to stand unconcerned at this critical moment when it is sought to be shown that the Muslim minority of South India supports this unnatural scheme.

They now desire to give clear expression to their strong conviction and to oppose any constitution which seeks to impair the national unity of our motherland for which farsighted Muslim Kings and holy men have worked in the past with devotion, and to resolve themselves to fight this evil to the last.—A. P.

ANTI-INDIAN BILLS

Ceylon Indian Congress' Protest

WARDHA, March 28.

The General Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee has received the following resolutions adopted by the Ceylon Indian Congress Working Committee at its last meeting:—

"The Ceylon Indian Congress emphatically protests against the proposed ordinances for the registration of persons in Ceylon who do not possess Ceylon domicile of origin and for other matters if incidental or connected with the purpose aforesaid, and for the registration and control of entry of non-Ceylonese into Ceylon and for matters if incidental or connected with the purpose aforesaid.

"The Ceylon Indian Congress considers these bills absolutely unnecessary and vexatious contrary to the express and implied agreements and understandings between the Government of India and the Government of Ceylon, and gravely prejudicial to the rights, interests and honour of Indians."—United Press.

Ex-President Of Buddhist Congress Optimistic About Settlement

CALCUTTA, March 28.

The belief that the problem of Indians in Ceylon could easily be settled by Indian leaders and the accredited representatives of that country at no distant date, was expressed by Mr. Nisanka, ex-President of the Ceylon Buddhist Congress and member of the Ceylon National Congress Committee, who returned to Calcutta to-day after about a fortnight's tour of Buddhist pilgrim centres in India.

Mr. Nisanka said: "I do know that the people of Lanka love the Indians as their brethren. Laws have been passed from time to time affecting the liberty of the inhabitants of our own island. The passing of laws against other nationals is nothing so very startling in the political world".

While considering himself not competent enough to express any opinion in regard to the present trend of affairs, Mr. Nisanka hoped that all the troubles would easily be settled by the Indian leaders and the accredited representatives of their country at no distant date.—A. P.

MADRAS, March 28.

Sir Hawthorne Lewis, Governor-Designate of Orissa and Lady Lewis will arrive in Madras tomorrow morning and leave the same evening by the Calcutta Mail.—A. P.

ESCAPED POLITICAL RE-ARRESTED

LUCKNOW, March 27.

Sham Lal, alleged to be a revolutionary convict who escaped sometime back from Benares Jail where he was undergoing a sentence for revolutionary activities, was arrested by the local C. I. D. Police from Charbagh Railway Station this morning.

A loaded revolver and some live cartridges are alleged to have been recovered from his possession.—A. P.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

Apropos an article by Y. Y. reproduced in a local evening paper from the "New Statesman and Nation," Y. Y. wants to know the difference between a hare and a rabbit. It's easy—rabbits just don't grow on your chest. (Marx brothers please copy.)

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It is with a feeling of great delight that I opened volume II of "Under Your Tin Hat". The first volume was so striking in its production that many of us felt it would be difficult to maintain the high standard they had set for themselves. And although I am still conscious that this is part of propaganda, I cannot deny that volume II is one of the most human documents that have ever emerged from any Publicity Department or any Government Committee.

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The accent in volume I was on Mr. Churchill's rhetoric and the appeal was couched in his brilliant phraseology. The accent has now shifted and we have in Vol. II a series of pictures relating to the retreat from Dunkirk, of which J. B. Priestly says: "Nothing, I feel, could be more English than this Battle of Dunkirk both in its beginning and its end, its folly and its grandeur." "Under Your Tin Hat" tells you this story of Dunkirk and I'll frankly say that it is so humanly told in these pictures that it makes you feel almost uncomfortable pushing a pen.

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I use the word 'almost' with a certain amount of intellectual reservation which I feel at reading of the tragedy that is only saved by its being "glorious". This is the nearest that we have come to any graphic description of the war in Europe, except for a newsreel entitled: "London can take it." This is the stuff that will go to the heart of any man whatever his race, his creed, his nationality and his politics. And if this is propaganda it is of the right type.

Charlie Chan Detective Story Day By Day

A SPECIAL ENEMY WITH A SPECIAL PLAN FOR A SPECIAL DETECTIVE — BANANA BOAT MYSTERY

A HEADACHE FOR YOU, ROVER BOY!
KIRK! KIRK! OH, IT WAS MY FAULT! I SHOULDN'T HAVE KICKED HIM!
SINCE BRAWN WINS TEMPORARILY, COULD BEAR TO KNOW WHY WE ARE ABDUCTED, AND BY WHOM?
YOU FAT-HEADED DICK! YOU'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH! THE BOSS HAS WAITED A YEAR FOR THIS!
AH, AN ENEMY? BUT WHOM? DETECTIVE IN LONG LIFE MAKES MANY AS LEAVES ON TREES!
BUT ONLY ONE, CHAN, WHO COULD THINK UP A SPECIAL WAY TO GET YOU!
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